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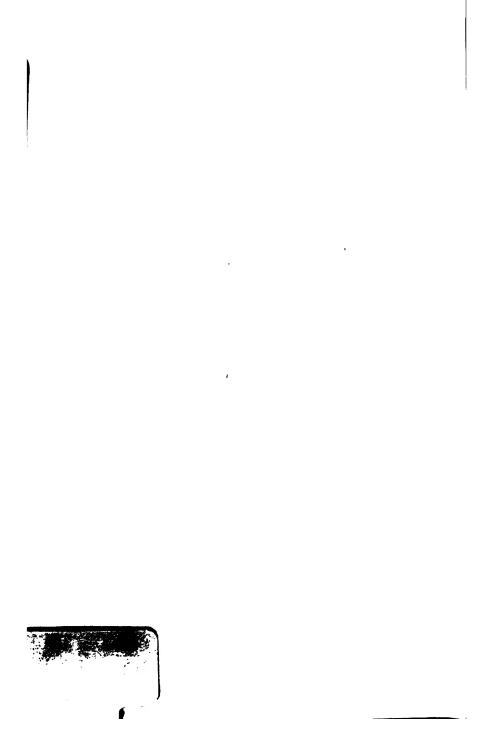
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ÆSAR having quieted the Commotions in Gaul, went, as he defigned, into Italy, to preside in the Assembly of the States. There he was informed of the Death of P. Clodius; and understanding farther, that the Senate had passed a Decree, ordering all the Youth of Italy to take up Arms, he resolved to levy Troops over the whole Province. The Report of this foon spread into farther Gaul: and the Gauls themselves, forward to encourage such Rumors, added of their own accord what the Case feemed to require: " That Cæsar was detained by " a domestick Sedition, and could not, while these "Disorders continued, come to head the Army." Animated by this Opportunity; they, who before lamented their subjection to the Romans, now began with more freedom and boldness to enter upon Measures of War. The leading Men of the Nation, concerting private Meetings among themfelves.

BOOK selves, in Woods and remote Places, complained of the Death of Acco; remonstrated, that such might one time or other be their own Fate; and after bemoaning the common Fortune of their Country, endeavoured by all manner of Promises and Rewards, to draw over some to begin the War, and with the hazard of their own Lives, pave the way to the Liberty of Gaul. But chiefly they thought it incumbent upon them, before their fecret Conferences should be discovered, to cut off Casar's return to the Army. This appeared abundantly easy; because neither would the Legions, in the absence of their General, dare to quit their Winterquarters; nor was it possible for the General to join the Legions, without a Body of Troops to guard him. In fine, they concluded it was better to die bravely in the Field, than not recover their former Glory in War, and the Liberty they had received from their Ancestors.

II. Such were the Debates in the private Councils of the Gauls: when the Carnutes, declaring their readiness to submit to any Danger for the common Sasety, offered to be the first in taking up Arms against the Romans. And because the present giving of Hostages might endanger a too early discovery of their Designs, they proposed; that the other States should bind themselves by a solemn Oath, in presence of the military Ensigns, which is the most facred Obligation among the Gauls, not to abandon them during the course of the War. This Offer of the Carnutes was received with universal Applause, the Oath required was taken by all present, and the time for Action being fixed, the Assembly separated.

III. When the appointed Day came; the Car-BOOK nutes, headed by Cotuatus and Conetedunus, Men of VII. desperate Resolution, slew upon a Signal given to Genabum; massacred the Roman Citizens settled there on account of Trade; among the rest C. Fusins Cotta, a Roman Knight of Eminence, whom Cafar had appointed to superintend the care of Provisions: and plundered their Effects. The Fame of this foon spread into all the Provinces of Gawl. when any thing fingular and extraordinary happens, they publish it from Place to Place by Outcries, which being fuccessively repeated by Men Rationed on purpose, are carried with incredible expedition over the whole Country. And thus it was on the present Occasion. For what had been done at Genabum about Sun-rise, was known before nine at Night in the Territories of the Averni, a distance of one hundred and fixty Miles.

IV. Fired by this Example, Vertingetoria, the Son of Celtillus, of the Nation of the Averni, a young Nobleman of great Power and Interest, whose Father had presided over all Celtic Gaul, and for aiming at the Sovereignty been put to death by his Countrymen; calling his Clients and Followers together, eafily perfuaded them to a Revolt. defign being discovered, the People immediately flew to Arms: and Gobanitio his Uncle, with the other principal Men of the State, dreading the Confequences of so rash an enterprise, united all their Authority against him, and expelled him the City Gergovia. Yet still he adhered to his former Resolution, and affembling all the Outlaws and Fugitives he could find, engaged them in his Service. Having by this means got together a Body of Troops, he brought all to whom he applied himself BOOK to fall in with his Views; pressed them to take up VII. Arms for the common Liberty; and finding his Forces greatly increased, quickly drove those out of the Territories of Auvergne, who had so lately expelled him the City Gergovia. Upon this he was faluted King by his Followers: and dispatching Ambassadors into all Parts, exhorted them to continue firm to the Confederacy. The Senones, Parisians, Pietones, Cadurci, Turones, Aulerci, Lemovices, Andes, and all the other Nations bordering upon the Ocean, readily came into the Alliance, and with unanimous confent declared him Generalissimo of the League. Armed with this Authority, he demanded Hostages of the several States; ordered them to furnish a certain number of Men immediately; appointed what quantity of Arms each was to prepare, with the time by which they must be in readiness; and above all applied himself to have on foot a numerous Cavalry. To the most extreme Diligence, he joined an extreme Rigor of Command; and by the severity of his Punishments, obliged the irresolute to declare themselves: for in greater Faults, the Criminals, after having been tortured, were burnt alive: and for lighter Offences, ordering the Ears of the guilty to be cut off, or one of their Eyes put out, he fent them thus mutilated home, to serve as an Example to the rest, and by the Rigor of their Sufferings to keep others in awe.

V. Having by the Terror of these Punishments speedily assembled an Army: he sent Luterius of Quercy, a bold and enterprising Man, with part of the Forces against the Rutheni; and marched himself into the Territories of the Biturigians. The Biturigians, upon his Arrival, dispatched Ambassadors to the Eduans, under whose Protection they were,

were, to demand Succours against the Enemy. BOOK The Aduans, by advice of the Lieutenants Casar had left with the Army, ordered a supply of Horse's and Foot to the affiftance of the Biturigians. Body of Troops, advancing to the Banks of the Loire, which divides the Biturigians from the Æduans, halted there a few Days; and not daring to pass that River, returned again to their own Country. The reason of this Conduct, according to the Report made to our Lieutenants, was an apprehension of Treachery from the Biturigians: for that People, as they pretended, had formed the defign of furrounding them beyond the Laire, on one fide with their own Troops, on the other with those of Auvergue. Whether this was the real cause of their Return, or whether they acted perfidiously in the Affair, is what we have not been able to learn with certainty, and therefore cannot venture to affirm. The Biturigians, on their departure, immediately joined the Forces of the Averni.

VI. THESE things being reported to Casar in Italy; as the Troubles at Rome were in a great measure quieted by the Care and Vigilance of Pompey, he set out immediately for Transalpine Gazl. Upon his arrival there, he found it extremely difficult to resolve, after what manner to rejoin the Army. For should he order the Legions to repair to the Province, he foresaw they would be attacked on their March in his absence: and should he himself proceed to the Quarters of the Legions, he was not without apprehensions of Danger, even from those States that seemingly continued faithful to the Romans.

VII. In the mean-time Luterius of Quercy, who had been fent into the Territories of the Rutheni, brought

BOOK brought over that State to the Alliance of the Averni; advancing thence among the Nitobrigians and Gabali, he received Hostages from both Nations; and having got together a numerous Body of Troops, drew towards Narbonne, to attack the Roman Province on that fide. Casar being informed of his Design, thought it first and principally incumbent upon him, to provide for the fecurity of the Province. With this view he flew to Narbonne; confirmed the wavering and timorous; placed Garrisons in the Towns of the Rutheni subject to the Romans; also in those of the Volscians, Tolosatians, and other States bordering upon the Enemy: and having thus taken effectual Measures against Luterius, ordered part of the provincial Forces, with the Recruits he had brought from Italy, to rendezvous upon the Frontiers of the Helvians, whose Territories adjoin to those of the Averni.

> VIII. THESE Difpositions being made, and Luterius checked and forced to retire, because he did not think it adviseable to venture among the Roman Garrisons; Casar advanced into the Country of the Altho' the Mountains of the Sevennes. which separate the Helvians from Auvergne, by the great depth of the Snow in that extreme rigorous Season, threatened to obstruct his March; yet having cleared away the Snow, which lay to the depth of fix Feet, and with infinite Labour to the Soldiers opened a Passage over the Mountains, he at length reached the Confines of the Averni. As they were altogether unprepared, regarding the Sevennes as an impenetrable Barrier, impassable at that Season even to fingle Men, he ordered the Cavalry to spread themselves on all sides, and strike as universal a Terror into the Enemy as possible. Messengers from the State soon informed Vercingeto

rix of the Disaster befallen his Country. All the BOOK Averni gathered round him in a Body, and with VII. Looks full of Dismay, conjured him to regard their Fortunes, and not abandon them to the Ravages of the Roman Army; more especially, as he now saw the whole War pointed against them. Persingetoria, moved by their Intreaties, put his Army upon the March, and quitting the Territories of the Biturigians, drew towards Auvergne.

IX. This Cafar had foreseen: and after a stay of two Days in those Parts, set out under pretence of fetching a Reinforcement. He left young Brutus to command in his Absence; charged him to disperse the Cavalry as wide as he could; and promised to return, if possible, within three Days. Then, deceiving the Romans themselves, that he might the better impose upon the Gauls, he posted by great Journeys to Vienne. There he found the new levied Cavalry whom he had fent thither some time before: and travelling Day and Night without Intermission, thro' the Country of the Æduans, to prevent by his Expedition any Designs they might form against him; he at length reached the Confines of the Lingones, where two of his Legions wintered. Thence fending immediately to the rest, he drew them all together into a Body, before the Averni could be apprized of his Arrival.

X. VERCINGETORIX, upon notice of this, led back his Army into the Territories of the *Biturigians*; and marching thence, resolved to invest Gergovia, a Town belonging to the *Boii*, where they had been settled by Casar after the Deseat of the Helvetians, and made subject to the Æduan State. This Step greatly perplexed the Roman General: if he continued encamped with his Legions in one

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BOOK Place during the rest of the Winter, and abandoned VII. the Subjects of the Æduans to the Attempts of the Enemy; he had reason to apprehend that the Gauls, feeing him afford no Protection to his Friends. would univerfally give into a Revolt: if, on the contrary, he took the Field early, he risked the want of Provision and Forage, by the great Difficulty of procuring Convoys. Refolving however at all hazards, not to submit to an Affront, that must for ever alienate the Hearts of his Allies; he pressingly enjoined the Æduans to be very careful in fupplying him with Provisions: and dispatching Messengers to the Boii, to inform them of his Approach, exhorted them to continue firm to their Duty, and fustain with Courage the Assaults of the Mean-while leaving two Legions and the Baggage of the whole Army at Agendicum, he fet out upon his March to their Relief.

> XI. Arriving the next Day before Vellaunodunum, a City of the Senones; that he might leave no Enemy behind him capable of obstructing his Convoys, he refolved to beliege it, and in two Days compleated his Circumvallation. On the third. Deputies came from the Town to treat about a Surrender: when ordering them to deliver up their Arms, Horses, and six hundred Hostages, he left C. Trebonius, one of his Lieutenants, to cause the Articles be put in Execution; and continuing his March with all Diligence, advanced towards Gena-The Carnutes, to whom this City belonged, were drawing Troops together for its Defence; imagining that the Siege of Vellaunodunum, of which they had just then received Intelligence, would be a Work of some time. Casar reached the Place in two Days, encamped before it, and finding it began to be late, deferred the Affault 'till next Morning. Mean-

Mean-while he gave the necessary Orders to his BOOK Men: and because the Town had a Bridge over the Loire, by which the Inhabitants might endeavour to escape in the Night, he obliged two Legions to continue under Arms. A little before Midnight, the Genabians, as he had foreseen, stole filently out of the City, and began to pass the Notice being given of this by his Spies; he set fire to the Gates, introduced the Legions whom he had kept in readiness for that purpose, and took possession of the Place. Very few of the Enemy escaped on this Occasion; because the narrowness of the Bridge and Passages obstructed the flight of the Multitude. Casar ordered the Town to be plundered and burnt; distributing the Spoil among the Soldiers: and croffing the Loire with his whole Army, advanced into the Territories of the Biturigians,

XII. VERCINGETORIX, upon notice of his Approach, quitted the Siege of Gergovia, and marched directly to meet him. Cafar mean-while had fat down before Noviodunum, a City of the Biturigians, that lay upon his Rout. The Inhabitants fending Deputies to the Camp, to implore Forgiveness and Safety: that he might the fooner accomplish his Designs, in which Expedition had hitherto availed him so much, he ordered them to deliver up their Arms, Horses, and a certain Number of Hostages. Part of the Hostages had been already sent; the other Articles of the Treaty were upon the Point of execution; and even fome Centurions and Soldiers had entered the Place, to fearch for Arms and Horses: when the Enemy's Cavalry, who were a Ltle advanced before the rest of the Army, appeared at a Distance. Immediately the belieged, upon this prospect of Relief, setting up a Shout,

BOOK flew to Arms, shut the Gates, and manned the Walls. The Centurions in the Town, judging from the Noise among the Gauls, that they had some new Project in view, posted themselves with their Swords drawn at the Gates; and getting all their Men together, retreated without loss to the Camp. Cafar ordering the Cavalry to advance. fell upon the Enemy's Horse; and finding his Troops hard pressed, sustained them with some Squadrons of Germans, whom, to the number of about four hundred, he had all along retained in his Service. The Gauls, unable to stand their Charge, at length betook themselves to flight, and were driven with great Slaughter to the main Body of their Army. Upon this the People of Noviodunum, terrified anew by the defeat of their Friends, feized all who had been inftrumental in breaking the Capitulation, fent them Prisoners to Casar's Camp, and delivered up the Town. These Affairs dispatched, Cæsar directed his March towards Avaricum. As this was the strongest and most considerable City of the Biturigians, and situate in the finest part of the Country, he easily persuaded himself, that by the reduction of it, he should bring the whole Nation under Subjection.

XIII. VERCINGETORIX, after so many successive Losses, at Vellaunodunum, Genabum, Noviodunum; calling a general Council of his Followers, represented: "That it was necessary to resolve up-" on a very different Plan of War, from that which hitherto had been pursued; and above all things make it their Endeavour, to intercept the Roman Convoys and Foragers: That this was both a fure and practicable Scheme, as they themselves abounded in Horse, and the Season of the Year greatly savoured the Design: That the Ground

"as yet affording no produce, the Enemy must BOOK " unavoidably disperse themselves in the Villages " for Subfiftence, and give them daily opportuni-"ties of cutting them off by means of their Ca-" valry. That where Life and Liberty were at " stake, Property and private Possession ought to " be neglected: That therefore the best Resolution " they could take was, to fet all their Houses and " Villages on fire, from the Territories of the Boil, " to wherever the Romans might extend their Quar-"ters for the fake of Forage: That they them-" felves had no reason to apprehend Scarcity, as "they would be plentifully supplied by those " States, whose Territories should become the seat " of the War; whereas the Enemy must either be " reduced to the necessity of starving, or making "distant and dangerous Excursions from their " Camp: That it equally answered the Purpose of " the Gauls, to cut the Roman Army to pieces, or " feize upon their Baggage and Convoys; because "without these last, it would be impossible for "them to carry on the War: That they ought " to let fire even to the Towns themselves, which " were not strong enough by Art or Nature, to be "perfectly secure against all Danger; as by this " means they would neither become Places of re-" treat to their own Men, to screen them from mi-"litary Service; nor contribute to the support of "the Romans, by the Supplies and Plunder they "might furnish: In fine, that tho' these things "were indeed grievous and terrible, they ought "yet to esteem it still more terrible and grievous, "to see their Wives and Children dragged into "Captivity, and themselves exposed to Slaughter, "which was the unavoidable Lot of the Vanquish-" ed."?

BOOK XIV. This Proposal being approved by all, VII. upwards of twenty Cities of the Biturigians were burnt in one Day. The like was done in other States. Nothing but Conflagrations were to be feen over the whole Country. And tho' the Natives bore this Desolation with extreme Regret, they nevertheless confoled themselves with the hope, that an approaching and certain Victory would foon enable them to recover their Losses. A Debate arising in Council about Avaricum, whether it would be proper to defend or fet it on fire; the Biturigians, falling prostrate at the Feet of the rest of the Gauls. implored: " That they might not be obliged to "burn with their own Hands, one of the finest 66 Cities of all Gaul, which was both the Orna-"ment and Security of their State; more especially 44 as the Town itself, almost wholly surrounded by 46 a River and Morals, and affording but one very arrow Approach, was, from the nature of its Situation, capable of an easy Defence." Their Request prevailed; Vercingetoria, tho' he at first opposed, afterwards coming into the Design; partly moved by the Intreaties of the Biturigians, partly by the Compassion of the Multitude. A chosen Garrison was immediately put into the Place.

XV. VERCINGETORIX followed Cafar by eafy Marches, and chose for his Camp a Place surrouncted with Woods and Marshes, about fifteen Miles distant from Avaricum. There he had hourly Intelligence by his Scouts, of all that passed before the Town; and sent his Orders from time to time to the Garrison. Mean-while he strictly watched our Convoys and Foragers; set upon our dispersed Parties, who were obliged to setch Provisions from a great distance; and in spite of all endeavours to prevent

prevent it, by choosing such Times and Routs, as BOOK were most likely to deceive his Vigilance, very VII. much incommoded them by his Attacks.

XVI. CÆSAR encamping on that side of the Town, where the intermission of the River and Morafs formed, as we have faid, a narrow Approach; began to raise a Mount, bring forward his battering Engines, and prepare two Towers of Affault; without troubling himself about Lines of Circumvallation, which the nature of the Ground rendered impossible. Mean-while he was continually soliciting the Aduans and Boii for Corn: but received no great Supplies from either; partly occasioned by the Negligence of the Æduans, who were not hearty in the Affair; partly by the want of Ability in the Boii, who possessing only a small and inconfiderable Territory, foon confumed all the produce of their own Lands. But tho' the Army laboured under the greatest scarcity of Corn, thro the Inability of the Boii, the want of Inclination in the *Æduans*, and the universal devastation of the Country: tho' they were even for many Days altogether without Bread, and had nothing to appeare their extreme Hunger, but the Cattle brought from distant Villages: yet not an Expression was heard over the whole Camp, unworthy the Majesty of the Roman Name, or the Glory they had acquired by former Victories. Nay, when Cæsar visited the different Quarters of the Legions in person, and offered to raise the Siege, if they found the Famine insupportable; they all with one Voice requested him not to do it, adding: "That during the many "Years they had ferved under him, they never " yet had met with any Check, or undertaken " ought in which they had not fucceeded: That " they could not but look upon it as inglorious, to Val. II. " relin:

BOOK " relinquish a Siege they had once begun; and had VII. " rather undergo the greatest Hardships, than not " revenge the Blood of the Roman Citizens, per- "fidiously massacred by the Gauls at Genabum." The same they said to the Centurions and military Tribunes, intreating them to report their Sentiments to Casar.

XVII. And now the Towers began to approach the Walls: when Cafar was informed by some Prifoners, that Vercingetorix having confumed all the Forage round him, had removed his Camp nearer to Avaricum, and was gone himself at the head of the Cavalry, and the light-armed Troops accustomed to fight in their Intervals, to form an Ambufcade for the Romans, in a Place where it was supposed they would come next Day to forage. Upon this Intelligence, fetting out about midnight in great Silence, he arrived next Morning at the Enemy's Camp. But they having had timely Notice of his Approach by their Scouts, instantly conveyed their Baggage and Carriages into a thick Wood, and drew up in order of Battle upon an open Hill. Cæsar then ordered all the Baggage to be brought together into one Place, and the Soldiers to prepare for an Engagement.

XVIII. THE Hill itself where the Enemy stood, rising all the way with an easy ascent, was almost wholly surrounded by a Morass, difficult and dangerous to be passed, the not above sifty Footover. Here the Gauls, considing in the strength of their Post, and having broke down all the Bridges over the Morass, appeared with an air of Resolution. They had formed themselves into different Bodies, according to their several States: and planting select Detachments at all the Avenues and Fords, waited

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waited with determined Courage, that if the Ro-BOOK mans should attempt to force their way thorow, they might fall upon them from the higher Ground while entangled in the Mud. To attend only to the nearness of the two Armies, they seemed as if ready to fight us on even Terms; but when the advantage of their Situation was considered, all this Oftentation of Brayery, was eafily discerned to be meer Shew and Pretence. Nevertheless the Romans full of Indignation, that the Enemy should dare to face them with so small a Space between, loudly demanded to be led to Battle. Cæsar checked their Ardor for the present, and endeavoured to make them sensible, that in attacking an Army so strongly posted, the Victory must cost extremely dear, and be attended with the loss of many brave Men. To this he told them, he was the more averse, because finding them prepared to face every kind of Danger for his Glory, he thought he could not be too tender of the Lives of those who merited so highly ar his hands. Having by this Speech confoled the Soldiers, he led them back the same Day to their Camp, and applied himself wholly to the carrying on of the Siege.

XIX. VERCINGETORIX, upon his return to the Camp, was accused by the Army of Treason. The removal of his Quarters nearer to those of the Enemy; his departure at the head of all the Cavalry: his leaving fo many Troops without a Commander in chief; and the opportune and speedy Arrival of the Romans during his Absence: all these, they aid, could not easily happen by chance, or without defign; and gave great reason to believe, that he had rather owe the Sovereignty of Gaul to Cafar's Grant, than to the Favour and free Choice of his-To this Charge he replied: "That Countrymen. b 2 " the

BOOK " the removal of his Camp was occasioned by the " want of Forage, and done at their own express " Defire: That he had lodged himself nearer to the " Romans, on account of the advantage of the "Ground, which secured him against all Attacks: "That Cavalry were by no means wanted in a Mo-46 rass, but might have been extremely serviceable in " the Place to which he had carried them: That he purposely forbore naming a Commander in chief " at his Departure, lest the Impatience of the Mul-"titude should have forced him upon a Battle; " to which he perceived they were all strongly in-" clined, thro' a certain weakness and effeminacy " of Mind, that rendered them incapable of long "Fatigue: That whether Accident or Intelligence " brought the Romans to their Camp; they ought to thank, in the one case Fortune, in the other "the Informer, for giving them an opportunity of "discovering from the higher Ground the inconse siderable Number, and despising the seeble Ef-" forts of the Enemy; who not daring to hazard " arr Engagement, ignominiously retreated to their " Camp: That for his part, he scorned treache-" rously to hold an Authority of Casar, which he "hoped foon to merit by a Victory, already in a manner affured, both to himself and the rest of " the Gauls: That he was willing even to refign "the Command, if they thought the Honour "done him by that Distinction too great for the " Advantages procured by his Conduct. added he, to convince you of the Truth and 66 Sincerity of my Words, hear the Roman Soldiers "themselves." He then produced some Slaves, whom he had made Prisoners a few Days before in foraging, and by Severity and hard Usage brought to his purpose. These, according to the Lesson taught them beforehand, declared: " That they " were

" were legionary Soldiers: That urged by Hun-BOOK " ger, they had privately stolen out of the Camp, " to fearch for Corn and Cattle in the Fields: That " the whole Army laboured under the like Scarcity, " and was reduced to fo weak a Condition, as no "longer to be capable of supporting Fatigue: "That the General had therefore resolved, if the "Town held out three Days longer, to draw off "his Men from the Siege. Such (faid Vercingeto-" rix) are the Services you receive from the Man "whom you have not scrupled to charge with "Treason. To him it is owing, that without " drawing a Sword, you see a powerful and victo-" rious Army almost wholly destroyed by Famine; " and effectual care taken, that when Necessity "compels them to feek Refuge in a shameful "Flight, no State shall receive them into its Ter-" ritories,"

XX. The whole Multitude set up a shout; and striking, as their manner was, their Lances against their Swords, to denote their Approbation of the Speaker, declared Vercingetorix a consummate General, whose Fidelity ought not to be questioned, and whose Conduct deserved the highest Praises. They decreed, that ten thousand Men, chosen out of all the Troops, should be sent to reinforce the Garrison of Avaricum; it seeming too hazardous to rely upon the Biturigians alone for the desence of a Place, whose preservation, they imagined, would necessarily give them the superiority in the War.

XXI. And indeed, the siege was carried on by our Men with incredible Bravery, yet were all their Efforts in a great measure rendered ineffectual, by the Address and Contrivances of the Gauls. For they are a People of singular Ingenuity, extended the same and the sa

BOOK tremely quick of Apprehension, and very happy in inmitating what they see practised. They not only turned afide our Hooks with Ropes, and after having feized them, drew them into the Town with Engines; but likewise set themselves to undermine the Mount: in which they the more succeeded, because the Country abounding with Iron Mines, they are perfectly skilled in that whole Art. fame time they raised Towers on all parts of the Wall, covered them carefully with raw Hides, and continuing their Sallies Day and Night, either fet fire to the Mount, or fell upon the Workmen. proportion as our Towers increased in height, by the continual addition to the Mount; in like manner did they advance the Towers upon their Walls, by raifing one Story perpetually over another: and counterworking our Mines with the utmost Diligence, they either filled them up with great Stones, or poured melted Pitch into them, or repulsed the Miners with long Stakes, burnt and sharpened at the end; all which very much retarded the Approaches, and kept us at a distance from the Place.

XXII. The fortified Towns among the Gauls have their Walls mostly built in the following manner. Long massy Beams of Wood are placed upon the Ground, at the equal distances of two Feet one from another, and so as to constitute by their length the thickness of the Wall. These being again crossed over by others, which serve to bind them together, have their Intervals on the inside silled up with Earth, and on the outside with large Stones. The first Course thus compleated and firmly joined, a second is laid over it; which allowing the same openings between the Beams, rests them not immediately upon those of the order below, but disposes them artfully above their Intervals, and connects

nects them as before with interjacent Earth and BOOK Stones. In this manner the Work is carried on to a proper height, and pleases the Eye by its uniform Variety, the alternate Courses of Stones and Beams, running in even Lines, according to their several Orders. Nor is it less adapted to Security and Defence. For the Stones are proof against Fire, and the whole Mass is impenetrable to the Ram; because being strongly bound together by continual Beams, to a depth of forty Feet, it can neither be disjointed nor thrown down.

XXIII. Such were the Obstacles we met with in the Siege. But the Soldiers, tho' obliged to struggle during the whole time, with Cold, Dirt, and perpetual Rains; yet by dint of Labour overcame all Difficulties, and at the end of twenty-five Days, had raised a Mount three hundred and thirty Feet broad, and eighty Feet high. When it was brought almost close to the Walls, Casar according to Custom attending the Works, and encouraging the Soldiers to labour without intermission; a little before midnight it was observed to smoke, the Enemy having undermined and fired it. At the fame time they raised a mighty Shout, and fallying vigorously by two several Gates, attacked the Works on both fides. Some threw lighted Torches and dry Wood from the Walls upon the Mount, others Pitch and all forts of Combustibles; so that it was hard to determine on which fide to make head against the Enemy, or where first to apply Redress. But as Gæsar kept always two Legions upon Guard in the Trenches, besides great numbers employed in the Works, who relieved one another by turns: his Troops were foon in a Condition; fome to oppose those that sallied from the Town; others to draw off the Towers, and make openings in the Mount: b 4.

BOOK Mount; whilft the whole Multitude ran to extin-VII. guish the Flames.

> XXIV. THE Fight continued with great Obstinacy during the remaining part of the Night: the Enemy still entertained hopes of Victory; and perfifted with the more firmness, as they saw the Mantles that covered the Towers burnt down, and the Romans unable to rescue them for want of shel-At the same time fresh Troops were continually fent, to supply the place of those that were fatigued; the Besieged believing, that the safety of Gaul entirely depended upon the issue of that critical Moment. And here I cannot forbear mentioning a remarkable Instance of Intrepidity, to which I was myself a Witness on this Occasion. tain Gaul posted before the Gate of the City, threw into the Fire Balls of Pitch and Tallow to feed it. This Man being exposed to the discharge of a Roman Battery, was struck thro' the Side with a Dart and expired. Another striding over his Body, immediately took his Place. He also was killed in the fame manner. A third succeeded: to the third a fourth: nor was this dangerous Post left vacant, 'till the Fire of the Mount being extinguished, and the Enemy repulsed on all sides, an end was put to the Conflict.

XXV. THE Gauls having tried all methods of Defence, and finding that none of them succeeded, consulted next Day about leaving the Town; in concert with, and even by the Order of Vercingetorix. This they hoped easily to effect in the Night; as that General's Camp was not far off, and the Moras's between them and the Romans, would serve to cover their Retreat. Night came, and the Besieged were preparing to put their Design in execution; when

when suddenly the Women running out into the BOOK Streets, and casting themselves at their Husbands Feet, conjured them with many Tears, not to abandon to the Fury of an enraged Enemy, them and their common Children, whom Nature and Weakness rendered incapable of Flight. But finding their Intreaties ineffectual; for in extreme Danger, Fear often excludes Compassion; they began to set up a loud Cry, and inform the Romans of the intended Flight. This alarmed the Garrison, who apprehending the Passages would be seized by our Horse, desisted from their Resolution.

XXVI. Next Day Casar brought forward the Tower, and gave the necessary Directions about the Works. A heavy Rain chancing just then to fall, he thought it a favourable Opportunity for effecting his Design; as he observed the Wall to be less strictly guarded. Wherefore ordering the Soldiers to abate a little of their Vigour, and having instructed them in what manner to proceed; he exhorted the Legions, who advanced under cover of the Machines, to seize at last the Fruit of a Victory acquired by so many Toils. Then, promising Rewards to those who should first scale the Town, he gave the signal of Attack. The Romans rushed suddenly upon the Enemy from all Parts, and in a Moment possessed to the Walls.

XXVII, THE Gauls terrified at this new manner of Affault, and driven from their Towers and Battlements, drew up triangle-wife in the Squares and open Places, that on whatever fide our Men should come to attack them, they might face in order of Battle. But observing that we still kept upon the Walls, and were endeavouring to get possession of their whole Circuit; they began to sear they

BOOK they should have no Outlet to escape by; and throwing down their Arms, ran tumultuously to the farthest part of the Town. There many fell within the City, the narrowness of the Gates obstructing their flight: others were flain by the Cavalry without the Walls: nor did any one for the present think The Romans eager to revenge the of Plunder. Massacre at Genabum, and exasperated by the obstinate Defence of the Place, spared neither old Men. Women, nor Children; infomuch that of all that Multitude, amounting to about forty thousand, scarce eight hundred, who had quitted the Town upon the first Alarm, escaped safe to Vercingetorix's They arrived there late in the Night, and were received in great Silence: for Vercingetorix fearing lest their entrance in a Body, and the Compassion it would naturally raise among the Troops, might occasion fome tumult in the Camp, had fent out his Friends, and the principal Noblemen of each Province, to meet them by the way, and conduct them separately to the Quarters of their several States.

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XXVIII. Next Day having called a Council, he consoled and exhorted the Troops, not to be too much disheartened, or cast down by their late Missortune: "That the Romans had not overcome by Bravery, or in the Field; but by their Adders and Skill in Sieges, with which part of War the Gauls were less acquainted: That it was deciving themselves to hope for Success in every measure they might think sit to pursue: That himself, as they all knew, had never advised the defence of Avaricum, and could not but impute the present Disaster to the Imprudence of the Biturigians, and the too easy Compliance of the rest: That he hoped however soon to compensate "it

" it by fuperior Advantages, as he was using his BOOK " utmost Endeavours to bring over the other States, "which had hitherto refused their Concurrence, " and to form one general Confederacy of all Gaul, " against whose united Strength, not the whole "Earth would be able to prevail: That he had " even in a great measure effected his Design, and " in the mean time only required of them, for the " fake of the common Safety, that they would fet " about fortifying their Camp, the better to fecure "them from the fudden Attacks of the Enemy." This Speech was not unpleasing to the Gauls; and the rather, as notwithstanding so great a Blow, Verangetorix seemed to have lost nothing of his Courage; neither withdrawing from publick view, nor hunning the fight of the Multitude. They even began to entertain a higher Opinion of his Prudence and Forefight, as from the first he had advised the burning of Avaricum, and at last sent Orders to abandon it. And thus bad Success, which usually finks the Reputation of a Commander, served only to augment his Credit, and give him greater Authority among the Troops. At the same time they were full of Hopes, from the Assurances he had given them, of seeing the other States accede to the And now for the first time the Gauls set about fortifying their Camp; being so humbled by their late Misfortune, that tho' naturally impatient of Fatigue, they resolved to refuse no Labour imposed upon them by their General.

XXIX. Nor was Vercingetorix less active on his fide, to bring over the other Provinces of Gaul to the Confederacy, endeavouring to gain the leading Men in each by Presents and Promises. purpose he made choice of fit Agents, who by their Address, or particular Ties of Friendship, were

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BOOK most likely to influence those to whom they were fent. He provided Arms and Clothing for the Troops that had escaped from Avaricum; and to repair the loss sustained by the taking of that Place, gave Orders to the several States, to furnish a certain number of Men, and fend them to the Camp by a Day prefixed. At the fame time he commanded all the Archers, of which there were great numbers in Gaul, to be fought out and brought to the Army. By these measures he soon replaced the Men whom he lost at the Siege of Avaricum. Meanwhile Theutomatus, the Son of Ollovico, and King of the Nitobrigians, whose Father had been stiled Friend and Ally by the Senate of Rome, came and joined him with a great Body of Horse, which he had raised in his own Territories, and in the Proyince of Aquitain.

> XXX. CÆSAR finding great plenty of Corn and other Provisions at Avaricum, stayed there several Days to refresh his Men, after the Fatigue and Scarcity they had so lately undergone. Winter was now drawing towards a period; and as the Season itself invited him to take the Field, he resolved to march against the Enemy, either to draw them out of the Woods and Marshes, or besiege them in their Fastnesses. While he was full of these Thoughts, Deputies arrived from the Æduans, to beg his Interpolition and Authority, for fettling the differences of their State. " Every thing there, they told " him, threatened an intestine War. For whereas it had been all along been the Custom to be " governed by a fingle Magistrate, who possessed "the supreme Power for the space of one Year; "they had now two disputing for that Title, " each pretending his Election was according to " Law: That the one was Convictolitanis, an illu-" Atrious

"frious and popular young Nobleman; the other BOOK "Cotus, of an ancient Family, great Authority, "and powerful Relations, whose Brother Videliacus" had exercised the same Office the Year before: "That the whole State was in Arms, the Senate divided, and each Party backed by their Clients among the People; nor had they any other hopes of escaping a civil War, but in his Care and timely Endeavours to put an end to the Controversy."

XXXI. Altho' Cæsar was sensible it would greatly prejudice his Affairs, to quit the pursuit of the War, and the Enemy; yet reflecting on the Mischiefs that often arise from Divisions, and defirous if possible to prevent so powerful a State, in frict Amity with the People of Rome, and which he had always in a particular manner cherished and befriended, from having recourse to the method of Violence and Arms, which might drive the Party that least confided in his Friendship, to seek the Asfistance of Vercingetorix; he resolved to make it his first Care, to put a stop to the progress of these Dif-And because by the Constitutions of the Eduans, it was not lawful for the supreme Magistrate, to pass beyond the Limits of the State; that he might not feem to detract from their Privileges, he resolved to go in person thither, and summoned the Senate and two Candidates to meet him at Decife. The Affembly was very numerous: when finding upon Enquiry, that Cotus had been declared chief Magistrate by his own Brother, in prefence of only a few Electors privately called together, without regard to Time or Place, and even contrary to the express Laws of the State, which forbid two of the same Family, while yet both alive, either to hold the supreme Dignity, or so much as ſit

No K fit together in the Senate; he obliged him to refign VII. in favour of Convictolitanis, who upon the Expiration of the Office of the preceding Magistrate, had been elected in all the Forms by the Priests.

XXXII. This Sentence being passed; and having exhorted the Æduans to lay aside their Quarrels and Divisions, and apply themselves solely to the Business of the present War; to expect with confidence the full Recompence of their Services, as foon as the Reduction of Gaul was compleated; and to fend him immediately, all their Cavalry, with ten thoufand Foot, to form a Chain of Posts for the Security of his Convoys; he divided his Army into two Four Legions under the Conduct of Labienus, were fent against the Senones and Parissans. Six. headed by himself in person, marched along the Banks of the Allier, towards the Territories of the Averni, with Delign to invest Gergovia. Part of the Cavalry followed the Rout of Labienus; Part remained with Cafar. Vercingetorix having notice of this, broke down all the Bridges upon the Allier, and began his March on the other side of the River.

XXXIII. As both Armies were continually in view, encamped almost over-against each other; and the Enemy's Scouts so stationed, that it was impossible for the Romans to make a Bridge for carrying over their Forces: Casar began to be uneasy, left he should be hindered the greatest part of the Summer by the River, because the Allier is seldom fordable till towards Autumn. To prevent this Inconvenience, he encamped in a Place sull of Woods, over-against one of those Bridges which Vercingetarix had caused to be broken down: and remaining there privately next Day with a good Body of Troops, formed by draughting every fourth Cohort,

hort, that the number of Legions might still ap-BOOK pear compleat; he sent forward the rest of the VII. Army with all the Baggage as usual, ordering them to march as far as they could. When by the Time of the Day he judged they might be arrived at the Place of their Encampment, he set about rebuilding the Bridge, making use of the old Piles, whose lower Part the Enemy had lest standing. Having soon compleated the Work, marched over the Troops he had with him, and chosen a proper Place for his Camp; he recalled the rest of the Forces. Vercingetorix, upon Intelligence of this, advanced before by long Marches, that he might not be obliged to fight against his Will.

XXXIV. CÆSAR after five Days March came before Gergovia, where he had a flight Engagement with the Enemy's Horse: and having taken a View of the Place, which he found fituated upon a very high Mountain, all whose Approaches were extremely difficult; he not only despaired of reducing it by Storm, but resolved even to forbear investing it, until he had fecured the necessary Supplies for his Army. Vercingetorix mean-while was encamped near the Town upon the Hill, where he had difposed the Forces of the several States around him, in different Divisions, separated from one another by moderate Intervals. As his Army possessed all the Summits of the Mountain, whence there was any Prospect into the Plains below, they made a very formidable Appearance. Every Morning by Day-break, the Chiefs of each State, who composed his Council, assembled in his Tent, to advife with him, or receive his Orders: nor did he fuffer a fingle Day to pass without detaching some Cavalry, intermixed with Archers, to skirmish with the Romans, that he might make trial of the Spirit BOOK and Courage of his Men. There was a rising Ground, that joined to the Foot of the Mountain on which the Town stood, excellently well fortified by Nature, as being very fleep on all fides, and of extreme difficult Access. This Hill, tho' of such Importance to the Enemy, that by our getting Posfession of it, we could in a great measure deprive them of Water and Forage, was yet but very indifferently guarded. Cæsar therefore leaving his Camp about Midnight; before any Affistance could arrive from the Town, dislodged the Enemy, seized the Hill, and having placed two Legions upon it to defend it, drew a double Ditch twelve Feet deep from the greater to the leffer Camp, that the Soldiers might pass and repass in Safety, even single and without a Guard.

> XXXV. WHILE things were in this posture before Gergovia, Convictolitanis the Æduan, to whom, as we have related above, Cafar had adjudged the funreme Magistracy; being strongly solicited by the Averni, and at length gained over by their Money, addressed himself to some young Noblemen, the chief of whom were *Litavicus* and his Brothers, of the most distinguished Family of the Province. With these he shared the Reward he had received. and exhorted them to confider: "That they were "Subjects of a free State, and born to command: "that Liberty and Victory were retarded by the " Æduans alone, whose Authority restrained the other States, and whose Concurrence in the com-"mon Cause would take from the Romans all Posfibility of supporting themselves in Gaul: That "tho' he was himself under some Obligation to " Casar, at least so far as a just and equitable De-" cifion deserved that Name, he thought he owed 46 still more to his Country, and could see no " Reason

"Reafon why the Æduans should rather have re-BOOK " course to the Roman General, in what regarded VII. " their Laws and Customs, than the Romans in the 16. like Case to the Aduans." The Representations of the Magistrate, and the Rewards he bestowed, foon prevailed: they even offered to become the chief Conductors of the Enterprise; and nothing was wanting but to confult of proper means for accomplishing the Design, as it was easily foreseen, that the State would not be induced without great Difficulty to engage in fo dangerous a War. last it was agreed, that Litavicus should have the Command of the ten thousand Foot appointed to join Cafar; that he should begin his March; that his Brothers should be sent before to the Roman Camp; and that the rest of the Project should be then executed, according to a Plan previously concerted among them.

XXXVI. Litavicus having received the Command of the Army; when he was within about thirty Miles of Gergovia, suddenly called the Troops together, and addressing them with Tears: "Whi-"ther, Fellow-foldiers, faid he, are we going? " All our Cavalry, all our Nobility are flain." " redorix and Virdumarus, Men of the first Qua-" lity in the State, being accused by the Romans of "Treason, are put to death without Trial. " these things of those who have escaped this general Massacre: for as to me, o'erwhelm'd as I 46 am with Grief for the Loss of my Brothers and 66 Kinfinen, I have neither Strength nor Voice to 44 utter our Calamities." He then produced fome whom he had beforehand instructed for that Purpose, and who joining in the same Story, told the Multitude, "That the greatest part of the Æduan "Cavalry had been put to the Sword, under pre-Vol. II.

BOOK" tence of holding Intelligence with the Avermi, " and that themselves had escaped only in the " Crowd, by withdrawing during the general "Slaughter," Upon this the whole Army called aloud to Litavicus, intreating him to provide for their Safety. " As if, said he, there was " room for Counsel; or any Choice left, but that " of marching directly to Gergevia, and joining " the Averni. Can we doubt, after so black an In-" stance of Roman Perfidy, but that they are alrea-" dy on their way to compleat the Massacre? Let us therefore, if ought of Spirit or Courage re-" mains in our Breafts, revenge the Death of our "Countrymen so undeservedly slain, and put these " inhuman Spoilers to the Sword." He then prefented some Roman Citizens, who had taken the Opportunity of their March, for conducting a large Convoy of Corn and Provisions to the Camp. stantly the Convoy was plundered, the Romans themfelves put to death with the most cruel Torments. and Messengers dispatched thro' all the Territories of the Advans, to spread the same Forgery of the Massacre of their Cavalry and Princes, and thereby rouse them to a like Vengeance.

Nobleman of diftinguished Birth, and great Interest in the State; as likewise Virdumarus, of equal Age and Authority, tho' not so well descended; whom Casar, upon the Recommendation of Divitiacus, had raised from a low Condition to the highest Dignities: were both at this time in the Roman Camp, having come along with the Cavalry at Casar's express Desire. Between these two was a Competition for Greatness; and in the late Dispute about the Magistracy, the one had declared warmly for Convisiolitanis, the other for Cotus. Eporedorix getting

notice of Litavicus's Delign, came about midnight BOOK to Cafar's Tent, discovered the whole Plot, and intreated him to obviate the mischievous Counsels of a few young Noblemen, and not suffer the State to fall off from the Alliance of the Romans, which he foresaw must happen, should so many thousand Men once join the Enemy. For it was by no means probable, that either their own Relations would neglect their Sasety, or the State itself make light of so great a part of its Forces.

XXXVIII. This Piece of Intelligence gave Cafar extreme Concern, because he had always manifested a particular Regard to the Æduans. He therefore drew out immediately four Legions without Baggage, together with all the Cavalry: and because the Affair seemed to depend wholly upon Dispatch, would not even take time to contract his Camp, but left C. Fabius his Lieutenant, with two Legions, to defend it against the Enemy. Finding that Litavicus's Brothers, whom he ordered to be feized. had fome time before gone over to Vercinges torix, he began his March, exhorting the Soldiers to bear the Fatigue chearfully in so pressing a Con-They followed with great Alacrity, and iuncture. advancing about five and twenty Miles from Gergovia, came at last within fight of the Æduans. far immediately detached the Cavalry against them, to retard and stop their March; but with strict charge to abstain from Bloodshed. He ordered Eporedorix and Virdumarus, whom they believed flain, to ride up and down among the Squadrons, and call to their Countrymen. As they were foon known, and Litavicus's Forgery thereby discovered; the Æduans stretched out their Hands, made Signs of Submission, and throwing down their Arms, began to beg their Lives. Litavicus, with his Clients,

BOOKwho by the Customs of the Gauls, cannot without VII. Infamy abandon their Patrons, even in the greatest Extremities of Fortune, escaped safe to Gergovia.

XXXIX. CÆSAR having dispatched Messengers to the Æduans, to inform them, that his Lenity and Regard for their State, had prevailed with him to fpare Troops, whom by the right of War he might have put to the Sword; after allowing the Army three Hours Rest during the Night, marched back to Gergovia. About half way he was met by a Party of Horse, sent by Fabius, to give him notice of the Danger that threatned his Camp. They told him, " That the Enemy had attacked it with all their " Forces, and by fending continual supplies of fresh "Men, were like in the end to overpower the Ro-" mans, whose Fatigue admitted of no Relaxation, because the vast extent of Ground they had to 66 defend, obliged them to be perpetually upon the "Rampart: That the multitude of Arrows and Darts discharged by the Gauls, had wounded " many of the Soldiers, notwithstanding the Pro-" tection received from the Engines, which yet had " been of good Service in beating off the Affail-" ants: That Fabius, upon the Retreat of the Ene-" my, had closed up all the Gates of the Camp 66 but two, carried a Breastwork quite round the "Rampart, and made Preparation for fustaining " a like Assault the next Day." Casar informed of these things, hastened his March with all Diligence, and feconded by the unufual Ardor of the Troops, arrived in the Camp before Sun-rife.

XL. WHILE these things passed at Gergovia, the Æduans, upon receipt of the strik Dispatches from Litavicus, staid not for confirmation of the Report; but prompted partly by Avarice, partly by Revenge,

venge, and many by a native Rashness, to which BOOK the Gauls in general are extremely addicted, being VII. ready to catch up every flying Rumor as a certain Truth: flew immediately to Arms, plundered the Roman Citizens of their Effects, flaughtered their Persons, or dragged them into Servitude. Convictolitanis fomented to the utmost this Fury, which had already taken but too fast hold of the Multitude; that by plunging them into some desperate Act of Violence, he might render a Retreat the more difficult and shameful. At his Instigation, they obliged M. Aristius, a military Tribune, who was upon his way to join the Army, to quit Cabillonum, promising not to molest him in his Journey: The fame they did by several Roman Merchants, who had ftopt there on account of Traffick; and attacking them treacherously on the Road, stripped them of their Baggage, invested Day and Night those that made refistance; and many being killed on both fides, drew together a greater number of Men to effect their Design. Mean-while coming to understand, that all their Troops were in Cæsar's power; they ran to Ariftius, affured him that nothing had been done by publick Authority, ordered Informations to be brought against those who had been concerned in pillaging the Romans, confiscated the Estates of Litavicus and his Brothers, and sent Ambassadors to Cæsar to excuse what had happened. All this they did with a view to the Recovery of their Troops: but conscious of Guilt; loth to part with the Plunder, in which great numbers had shared; and dreading the Punishment so gross an Outrage deserved; they began privately to concert measures of War, and by their Ambassadors solicited other States to join them. Tho' Cafar was not ignorant of these Practices, he spoke with the greatest mildness to the Æduan Deputies, affuring them

VII. he would not confider as the Crime of the whole Nation, what was owing only to the Imprudence and Levity of the Multitude. Apprehending however an universal Revolt of Gaul, and that he might be furrounded by the Forces of all the States at once, he began to think of retiring from Gergovia, and drawing his whole Army again into a Body; yet in such manner, that a Retreat occasioned by the fear of an Insurrection, might not carry with it the Appearance of a Flight.

XLI. WHILE he was full of these Thoughts, an Opportunity feemed to offer of acting against the Enemy with fuccess. For coming into the leffer Camp, to take a view of the Works, he observed a Hill, that for fome Days before was scarce to be feen for the Multitudes that covered it, now quite naked and destitute of Troops. Wondering what might be the Cause, he enquired of the Deserters, who flocked daily in great numbers to the Roman Camp. They all agreed with our Scouts; that the back of the Hill was almost an even Ground, but narrow and woody in that part, where the Passage lay to the other fide of the Town: That the Enemy were mightily afraid of losing this Post, because the Romans, who had already possessed themselves of one Hill, by feizing the other likewife, would in a manner quite furround them; and being mafters of all the Outlets, might entirely cut off their Forage : That Vercingetorix had therefore drawn all his Forces on that fide, with defign to fortify the Passage.

XLII. CÆSAR, upon this Intelligence, dispatched some Squadrons of Cavalry thither about midnight, ordering them to ride up and down the Place, with as much Noise as possible. At Day-break hedrew

drew a great number of Mules and Carriage-horses BOOK out of the Camp, sent away their usual Harness, VII. and furnishing the Grooms and Waggoners with Helmets, that they might resemble Horsemen, commanded them to march quite round the Hill. With these he joined a few Cavalry, who, for the greater shew, were to expatiate a little more freely; and the whole Detachment had Orders to move towards the same parts, taking a very large Circuit. All these Dispositions were seen from the Town, which commanded a full view of the Roman Camp, tho' the distance was too great to distinguish Objects with certainty. At the same time Casar, the more effectually to deceive the Enemy, detached a Legion towards the same Eminence, and when it was advanced a little way, stationed it at the foot of the Hill, affecting to conceal it in the Woods. increased the Jealousy of the Gauls to such a degree, that they immediately carried all their Forces thither to defend the Post. Casar seeing their Intrenchments abandoned, made his Soldiers cover the military Enfigns and Standards, and file off in small Parties from the greater to the leffer Camp, that they might not be perceived from the Town. He then opened his Design to his Lieutenants, whom he had appointed to command the feveral Legions, counselling them above all things to moderate the Ardor of the Soldiers, that the hope of Plunder, or defire of fighting, might not carry them too far. He represented particularly the disadvantage of the Ground, against which there was no Security but in Dispatch; and told them, that it was not a regular Attack, but a fudden Onset, to be pursued no farther than Opportunity served. These Precautions taken, he gave the Signal to engage, and at the same time detached the Aduans by another Ascent, to charge the Enemy on the right.

XLIII. The Wall of the Town, had no Breaks BOOK or Hollows intervened, was about twelve hundred VII. Paces distant from the Plain below, measuring in a direct Line from the foot of the Mountain. Circuit the Troops were obliged to take, to moderate the steepness of the Ascent, added still to this space upon the March. Half way up the Hill, as near as the nature of the Ground would allow, the Gauls had run a Wall of large Stones, fix Foot high, the better to defend themselves against our Attacks. All between this and the Plain was left quite void of Troops by the Enemy; but the upper part of the Hill, to the very Walls of the Town, was crowded with the Camps of their feveral States. The Signal being given, the Romans immediately mounted the Hill, scaled the outward Wall, and possessed themselves of three of the Enemy's Camps. Such too was the Expedition wherewith they carried them, that coming suddenly upon Theutomatus King of the Nitobrigians, as he was reposing himself in his Tent about noon, he very narrowly escaped being taken; for he was obliged to fly away half naked, and had his Horse wounded under him.

XLIV. CÆSAR having succeeded as far as his defign required, ordered a Retreat to be sounded; and the tenth Legion, which sought near his person, obeyed. The other Legions, not hearing the Signal, because separated from the General by a large Valley, were yet commanded to halt by the Lieutenants and military Tribunes, according to the Instructions given by Cæsar in the beginning. But elated with the hopes of a speedy Victory, the slight of the Enemy, and the remembrance of sormer Successes, they thought nothing impracticable to their Valour, nor desisted from the Pursuit, 'till they had reached the very

very Walls and Gates of the Town. Upon this a BOOK great Cry arising from all parts, those that were farthest from the Place of Assault, terrified by the Noise and Tumult, and imagining the Enemy already within the Gates, quitted the Town with Precipitation. The Women throwing their Money and Cloaths from the Walls, with naked Breafts; and extended Arms, conjured the Romans to spare their Lives, and not, as at Avaricum, facrifice all to their Resentment, without distinction of Age or Some being let down by their Hands from the Wall, delivered themselves up to our Soldiers. L. Fabius, a Centurion of the eighth Legion, was that Day heard to fay; that he had not yet forgot the Plunder of Avaricum, and was resolved no Man should enter the Place before him. Accordingly, having with the Affistance of three of his Company got upon the Town-Wall, he helped them one after another to do the like.

XLV, MEAN-WHILE the Troops, who, as we have related above, were gone to defend the Post on the other side of the Town; incited by the Cries of the Combatants, and the continual Accounts brought that the Enemy had entered the Place; fending all the Cavalry before to stop the Progress of the Romans, advanced in mighty Crowds to the In proportion as they arrived, they drew up under the Wall, and augmented the number of those who fought on their side. As they soon became formidable by their Multitude; the Women, who a little before had implored the Compassion of the Romans, now began to encourage their own Troops, shewing their dishevelled Hair, and producing their Children, according to the custom of the Gauls. The Contest was by no means equal, either in respect of number, or of the Ground; BOOK and the Romans already fatigued with the March VII. and length of the Combat, were little able to fustain the attack of fresh and vigorous Troops.

XLVI. CESAR observing the disadvantage of the Ground, and the continual increase of the Enemy's Troops, began to be apprehensive about the Event; and sending T. Sextius his Lientenant, whom he had lest to guard the lesser Camp, ordered him to bring forth the Cohorts with all Expedition, and post them at the foot of the Hill upon the Enemy's right; that if our Men should give way, he might deter the Gauls from pursuing them. He himself advancing a little with the tenth Legion, waited the issue of the Combat.

XLVII. WHILE the Conflict was maintained with the utmost Vigour on both sides; the Enemy trusting to their Post and Numbers, the Romans to their Courage; suddenly the Æduans, whom Cæsar had fent by another Ascent on the right, to make a Diversion, appeared on the flank of our Men. they were armed after the manner of the Gauls, this fight greatly terrified the Romans; and tho' they extended their right Arms in token of Peace, yet still our Men fancied it a Stratagem to deceive them. At the same time L. Fabius the Centurion, and those who had got upon the Wall with him, being furrounded and flain, were thrown down by the Enemy from the Battlements. M. Petreius, a Centurion of the same Legion, who had endeavoured to force the Gates; finding himself overpowered by the Enemy, and despairing of Safety, because he was already covered with Wounds, turning to his Soldiers that had followed him, faid: " As I "find it impossible to preserve both myself and " you, I will at least do my best to further your " Escape,

** Escape, whom I have brought into this Danger BOOK VII.

** thro' too eager a desire of Glory. Take advantage therefore of the present Opportunity."

Then throwing himself upon the Enemy, he killed two, drove the rest from the Gate, and seeing his Men run to his Assistance; "In vain, says he, do you endeavour to preserve my Life. My Blood and Strength forsake me. Go therefore, while you may, and rejoin your Legion." Continuing still to sight, he expired soon after, preserving his Followers with the loss of his own Life.

XLVIII. Our Men thus pressed on all sides, were at length driven from the Place, with the loss of forty-six Centurions: but the tenth Legion, which had been posted a little more advantageously to cover their Retreat, checked the impetuous Pursuit of the Gauls; being sustained by the Cohorts of the thirteenth Legion, who had quitted the lesser Camp under Sextius, and possessed themselves of an Eminence. The Legions having gained the Plain, immediately halted, and faced about towards the Enemy: but Vercingetorix drawing off his Troops from the soot of the Hill, retired within his Intrenchments. The Romans lost that Day about seven hundred Men.

XLIX. CASAR affembling the Army next Day, severely blamed the Temerity and Avarice of the Soldiers: "That they had taken upon themselves to judge how far they were to proceed, and what they were to undertake; regarding neither the Signal to retreat, nor the Orders of their Officers. He explained the disadvantage of the Ground, and reminded them of his own Conduct at the Siege of Avaricum, when having surprised the Enemy without a General, and without Cafe valry.

CÆSA'R'S COMMENTARIES OF

44 BOOK " valry, he had rather chosen to give up a certain "Victory, than by attacking them in a difficult " Post, hazard an inconsiderable Loss: That as " much as he admired the aftonishing Courage of "Men, whom neither the Intrenchments of seve-" ral Camps, nor the Height of the Mountain, " nor the Walls of the Town could check; so much did he blame the Licentiousness and Ar-" rogance of Soldiers, who thought they knew " more than their General, and could see better "than him the way to Conquest: That he looked " upon Obedience and Moderation in the pursuit " of Booty, as Virtues no lefs effential to a good " Soldier, than Valour and Magnanimity."

> L. HAVING made this Speech, and in the end exhorted his Soldiers, not to be discouraged by their late Misfortune, nor ascribe that to the Bravery of the Enemy, which was entirely owing to the disadvantage of the Ground: as he still persisted in his Design of retiring, he drew out his Legions, and formed them in order of Battle upon the Plain-But Vercingetorix not thinking proper to descend; after a small and successful Skirmish between the Cavalry, Cæsar returned again to his Camp. like he did the following Day: when thinking he had done enough to confirm the Courage of his own Men, and abate the Pride of the Gauls, he decamped towards the Territories of the Æduans. As the Enemy made no Attempt to pursue him, he arrived the third Day on the Banks of the Allier. and having repaired the Bridge, paffed over with his whole Army.

> LI. HERE he was informed by Eporedorix and Virdumarus, that Litavicus was gone with all the Cavalry to folicit the Æduans; and it would be there-

fore necessary for themselves to set out, in order to BOOK prevent his Defigns, and confirm the State in their Attachment to the Romans. Tho' Casar was by this time abundantly convinced of the Perfidy of the Æduans, and plainly forefaw, that their departure would only hasten the Revolt; he yet did not think proper to detain them, that he might give no ground of Offence, nor betray any Suspicion of Distrust. At parting, he briefly enumerated the Services he had done the *Æduans*: " How low and de-" pressed he had found them, shut up in their Towns, deprived of their Lands, without Troops, "Tributaries to their Enemies, and obliged to sub-". mit to the ignominious demand of Hostages: "To what Power and Greatness they were now " raised by his Favour, so as not only to have re-" covered their former Confideration in Gaul, but even to exceed in Dignity and Lustre all that apee peared most flourishing in the ancient Annals of "their State." With this Charge he dismissed them.

LII. Noviodunum was a Town belonging to the Aduans, advantageously situated upon the Banks of the Loire. Here Casar had lodged all the Hostages of Gaul, his Provisions, his military Chest, and great part of his own and his Army's Baggage. Hither also he had sent many Horses, brought up in Italy and Spain for the service of the War. When Eporedorix and Virdumarus arrived at this Place, and were informed of the disposition of the State:

"That Litavicus had been received with great marks of Favour at Bibraste, the capital City of the Province: That Convisiolitanis the chief Masis gistrate, and almost all the Senate, were gone thither to meet him: That Ambassadors had been publickly sent to Vercingetorix, to conclude a "Treaty"

BOOK" Treaty of Peace and Alliance." They thought the present favourable Opportunity was by no means to be neglected. Having therefore put the Garrison of Noviodunum, with all the Romans found in the Place to the Sword; they divided the Money and Horses between them, ordered the Hostages to be conducted to Bibracte; and not thinking themselves strong enough to defend the Town, set it on fire, that it might not be of any service to the Romans. All the Corn they could in so short a time, they carried away in Barks; and burnt the rest, or threw it into the River. Then drawing together the Forces of the neighbouring Parts, they lined the Banks of the Loire with Troops; and to strike the greater Terror, began to scour the Country with their Cavalry; hoping to cut off Cæsar's Convoys, and oblige him, thro' want of Provisions, to return into the Roman Province. This appeared the easier, as the Loire was confiderably swelled by the melting of the Snow, and gave little room to think that it could be any where forded.

> LIII. Upon advice of these Proceedings, Cafar thought it necessary to use dispatch; and if he must build a Bridge, endeavour to come to an Action with the Enemy, before they had drawn more Forces together. For he did not even then think it necessary to return to the Roman Province; not only as the Retreat itself would be inglorious, and the Mountains of the Sevennes, and the badness of the Ways, were almost insuperable Obstacles; but chiefly, because he was extremely desirous to rejoin Labienus, and the Legions under his Command. Wherefore marching Day and Night with the utmost Diligence, contrary to all Mens Expectation he arrived upon the Banks of the Loire; and his Cavalry very opportunely finding a Ford, which however

however took the Soldiers up to the Shoulders, he BOOK placed the Horse higher up to break the Force of the Stream, and carried over his Army without Loss; the Enemy being so terrified by his Boldness, that they forsook the Banks. As he found a great deal of Corn and Cattle in the Fields, the Army was plentifully supplied, and he directed his March towards the Country of the Senones.

LIV. WHILST Cafar was thus employed, Labiemus leaving the Levies which had lately arrived from Italy, at Azendicum, to guard the Baggage; marched with four Legions to Lutetia, a City of the Parifians, situated in an Island of the Seine. Upon notice of his Approach, the Enemy drew a great Army together from the neighbouring States. The chief Command was given to Camulogenus an Aulercian, who tho' in a very advanced Age, was yet urged to accept of that Honour, on account of his fingular Knowledge in the Art of War. This General obferving there was a large Morass, whose Waters ran into the Seine, and obstructed all the Passages round about, encamped there, to hinder the Romans from passing the River. Labienus at first endeavoured to force a Passage, filling up the Morass with Hurdles and Mold, to give firm footing to the Army. finding the Attempt too difficult, he privately quitted his Camp about midnight, and returned towards Melodunum. This City belongs to the Senones, and is also situated in an Island of the Seine, as we before said of Lutetia. He found there about fifty Boats, which he speedily drew together, and manned them with his Soldiers. The Inhabitants terrified at this new manner of Attack, and being too few to defend the Place, because the greater part of them had joined the Army of Camulogenus, yielded upon the first Summons. Having repaired the Bridge which the Enemy

BOOK Enemy had cut down some Days before, he crossed VII. the Seine there; and following the course of the River, marched back towards Lutetia. The Enemy having Intelligence of this by those who escaped from Melodunum, set fire to Lutetia, broke down its Bridges, and covering themselves with the Morass, encamped on the opposite Bank of the Seine, overagainst Labienus.

LV. It was now known that Cæsar had departed from Gergovia. The Revolt of the Æduans, and the universal Insurrection of Gaul, were every where fpread abroad by the Voice of Fame. The Gauls on all Occasions gave out, that Cæsar finding his March obstructed by the Loire, and being reduced to great straits for want of Corn, had been forced to take the Rout of the Roman Province. At the fame time the Bellovaci, naturally prone to throw off the Yoke, upon hearing of the Defection of the Aduans, began to raise Forces, and openly prepare Labienus perceiving so great a Change for War. in the Posture of Affairs, soon saw the necessity of pursuing other Measures; and that it was not now his business to make Conquetts, or give the Enemy Battle, but to secure his Retreat to Agendicum. On the one fide he was preffed by the Bellovaci, reputed the most warlike People of all Gaul; on the other by Camulogenus, with a numerous and well-appointed Army. Add to all this, that the Baggage of the Troops, and the Detachment appointed to guard it, were separated from the Legions by a great River. So many Difficulties furrounding him at once, he saw no way to extricate himself but by his Valour and Presence of Mind.

LVI. Accordingly in the Evening he called a Council of War; and having exhorted the Officers

to execute his Orders with Vigour and Dispatch, BOOK distributed the fifty Boats he had brought from Melodunum to as many Roman Knights, commanding them to fall down the River about nine at Night without Noise, four Miles below Lutetia, and there wait his coming. Five Cohorts, such as appeared least fit for service, were left to guard the Camp. The other five of the same Legion, with all the Baggage, had Orders to march up the River at Midnight, with much tumult and buftle, which was farther increased by means of some small Barks fent the same way, that made a mighty Noise with their Oars. He himself setting out soon after with three Legions, advanced filently to the Boats that waited for him. There he surprised the Enemy's Scouts, who were stationed along the River, and had been prevented by a sudden Storm from discerning his Approach. The whole Army was quickly carried over, by the Care and Diligence of the Roman Knights, to whom that Affair had been given in charge. Almost at the same instant the Enemy had notice, that an unusual Tumult was heard in the Roman Camp; that a strong Detach. ment had marched up the River, on which fide likewise a great Noise of Oars was heard; and that a little below they were passing the River in Boats. This Intelligence made the Gauls conclude, that the Legions, alarmed at the Revolt of the Æduans, were endeavouring to cross the Seine in three different Places; for which Reason they likewise divided their Army into three Bodies. For leaving one Party to guard the Passage over-against our Camp, and detaching another towards Metiosedum, with Orders to advance to the Place where the Boats had stopped, they marched with the rest of their Forces against Labienus. By day-break our Troops had passed the River, and the Enemy's Army appeared Vol. II. in

BOOKin view. Labienus exhorting his Men to remember their wonted Bravery, the many Victories they had gained, and even to fancy themselves in the immediate Presence of Cæsar, under whose Conduct they had so often been successful, gave the Signal of Battle. At the very first Charge, the seventh Legion, which formed the right Wing of the Roman Army, broke the Enemy's left, and put it to But the right Wing of the Gauls, which was engaged with the twelfth Legion, and where Camulogenus was present in Person to encourage his Men; tho' the first Ranks were destroyed by the Roman Tavelins, still maintained its Ground with the utmost Bravery, and seemed determined to conquer. The Dispute was long and dubious; when the Tribunes of the feventh Legion having notice how matters went, faced about, and attacked the Enemy's Rear. Even then not a Man offer'd to fly; but at last, being surrounded on all sides, they were cut to pieces with their General. The Party left behind to watch our Camp, hearing the Noise of the Battle, flew to the Affistance of their Countrymen, and posted themselves on a Hill: but not being able to fustain the Assault of the victorious Romans, they foon mingled with the rest of the Fugitives, and were cut to pieces by the Cavalry, those only excepted who sheltered themselves in the Woods and Mountains. After this Victory, Labienus retreated to Agendicum, where he had left the Baggage of the whole Army; and from thence, with all his Forces, went and joined Cafar.

LVII. THE Revolt of the *Æduans* gave new Strength to the Confederacy. Deputies were immediately dispatched into all Parts. Interest, Money, and Authority were employed in their turns, to procure the concurrence of the States that still continued

continued quiet. The Hostages seized at Noviodu-BOOK num, enabled the Æduans to compel such as were VII. refractory. They fent to require of Vercingetoria, that he would come and concert with them measures for carrying on the War; and in particular infifted on being at the head of the League. But this Demand rheeting with opposition, a general Assembly of Gaul was held at Bibracte, whither the Deputies. of all the confederated Nations repaired, and after taking the Affair into confideration, confirmed Vercingetorix in the Title of Generalissimo. mi, Lingones, and Treviri were not present at this Affembly: the two first, because they had resolved to continue faithful to the Romans: and the Treviri on account of their great Distance, and the Employment found them by the Germans; which was the Reason that they took no part at all in this War, nor lent their Affistance to either side. Æduans were greatly mortified at feeing themselves excluded from the chief Command: they complained of this Change in their Fortune, and began to regret the Loss of Cæsar's Favour. But as they were already too far engaged in the Revolt, they durst not think of detaching themselves from the Confederacy. It was not however without Reluctance, that Eporedoria and Virdumarus, two young Noblemen of the greatest hopes, consented to take Orders from Vercingetorix.

LVIII. As he was now invested with the supreme Command, he enjoined the several States to send Hostages, appointed a Day for that purpose, and ordered all the Cavalry, to the number of sisteen thousand, to assemble with the utmost Expedition. He said, "He was sufficiently provided with Infantry, as he had no mind to refer the Decision of the War to Fortune, or hazard an uncertain d 2 "Engage-

BOOK" Engagement; but abounding in Horfe, judged " it the easier and safer way, to intercept the Roman Convoys and Foragers: That in the mean-"time they must resolve to destroy their Corn, set " fire to their Houses, and patiently submit to a " present and private Loss, which was to be re-" warded with Liberty and perpetual Empire." Having thus fettled the Plan of the War, he commanded the Æduans and Segusians, who border upon the Roman Province, to raise ten thousand Foot: to these he joined eight hundred Horse, and put them under the Conduct of Eporedorix's Brother, with Orders to attack the Allobrogians. At the fame time he commissioned the Gabali, and the nearest Cantons of Auvergne, to make an Irruption into the Territories of the Helvians: and the Rutheni and Cadurci, into those of the Volca Arecomici. He neglected not however, by Messengers and private Emissaries, to sound the Disposition of the Allobrogians, whose Minds he hoped were not yet thoroughly reconciled to the Roman Yoke; endeavouring to gain the leading Men by Presents, and the State by an Offer of the Sovereignty of the Roman Province.

LIX. To oppose all these Attacks, two and twenty Cohorts were drawn together, while L. Cæsar, Lieutenant-General, levied in the Province; and with them prepared to make head on all sides. The Helvians venturing to come to an Engagement with the Enemy, were deseated, and forced to shelter themselves in their walled Towns, after having lost C. Valerius Donaturus, the Son of Caburus, a Man of principal Rank in their State, and several other Persons of Distinction. The Allobrogians placing Detachments at proper Distances along the Banks of the Rhone, guarded all the Accesses to their Country

Country with great Diligence and care. Cofar, as BOOK he found the Enemy superior in Cavalry, and that his Communication with Italy and the Province was cut off, so as to deprive him of all hopes of Succour from that Quarter, had recourse to the German Nations beyond the Rbine, which he had subdued in the preceding Campaigns, and obtained from them a Supply of Horse, with some light-armed Foot accustomed to fight amongst them. Upon their Arrival, perceiving they were but indifferently mounted, he took the Horses from the military Tribunes, Centurions, Roman Knights, and Volunteers, and distributed them among the Germans.

LX. WHILST these things passed, the Enemy's Forces from Auvergne, and the Cavalry of all the confederate States of Gaul, met at the general Rendezvous, and formed a very numerous Army. Cafar marching through the Frontiers of the Lingones, into the Country of the Sequani, to be the nearer at hand to fuccour the Roman Province; Vercingetorix lodged himself at about ten Miles distance, in three feveral Camps; and having affembled the Officers of the Cavalry, told them, " That the Season of "Victory was at length arrived, when they faw the " Romans obliged to abandon Gaul, and feek a Re-"treat in the Province: That this indeed ferved to 66 fecure Liberty for the present, but was insufficient to future Ease and Tranquillity, as they would "doubtless return with greater Forces than before, " and perfift in the Design of making War. was therefore best to attack them now, while 44 they marched incumbered with their Baggage. " If the Infantry faced about, in order to affift the "Horse, they would thereby be unable to advance; 66 but if, as was more likely, they abandoned the "Baggage, to provide for their own Safety, they

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BOOK" would be deprived of every Convenience, and " return covered with Ignominy and Reproach: " for as to the Enemy's Cavalry, it was not once " to be imagined, that any of them would so much " as stir from the Body of the Army. That to enso courage them the more, and strike the greater "Terror into the Enemy, he was resolved to have 44 the whole Army under Arms before the Camp." These Words were followed by the Acclamations of all the Cavalry, who proposed taking an Oath never to return to their Homes, nor visit their Parents, Wives, and Children, if they did not twice pierce through the Roman Army from one end to the other.

> LXI. THE Proposal being approved, and the Oath adminster'd to all; Vercingetorix next Day divided his Cavalry into three Bodies, two of which appeared upon the Flanks of the Roman Army, while the third began to charge and harrafs it in Notice of this being given to Casar, he also formed his Horse in three Divisions, ordering them to advance against the Enemy. They made head on all fides at once, the Infantry mean-while continuing quietly under Arms, with the Baggage placed in the Center. Wherever the Romans gave way, or appeared hard pressed by the Enemy, thither Cafar fent Detachments from the Legions; which both checked the Progress of the Gauls, and confirmed the Courage of our Men, as they thus faw themselves fire of being supported. At last the Germans on the night, having feized an Eminence, drove the Enemy before them, and purfued them with great Slaughten as far as the River, where Vercingetorize was posted with the Infantry. The reft of the Gauls perceiving the defeat of their Countrymen, and apprehephre of being furrounded, betook themselves likewife

likewise to flight. A dreadful Slaughter ensued on BOOK Three Aduan Noblemen of the first Difinction were brought Prisoners to Casar; Cotus, General of the Cavalry, who the Year before had been Competitor with Convictolitanis for the Supreme Magistracy; Cavarillus, who after Litavicus's Revolt, had been appointed to command the Infantry; and Eperedorix, who was Generalistimo of the Eduan Troops in the War against the Sequani, before Cæsar's Arrival in Gaul.

LXII. VERGINGETORIX, upon this total Rout of the Gaulish Cavalry, drew off his Troops, whom he had formed in order of Battle before the Camp, and immediately retreated towards Alesia, a Town belonging to the Mandubii; ordering the Baggage to follow him with all Expedition. Cafar leaving his on a neighbouring Hill, under a Guard of two Legions, purfued the Enemy as far as Day would permit, cut three thousand of their Rear to pieces, and arrived on the morrow before Alefia. examining the fituation of the Town; as he faw the Enemy much daunted by the Defeat of their Cavalry, which was the part of their Strength in which they chiefly confided, he exhorted his Soldiers not to be discouraged at the Labour they must undergo, and resolved to invest the Place.

LXIII. THE City of Alefia was fituated on the top of a very high Hill, so as not to be taken without a formal Siege. The bottom of the Hill was washed on the two sides by two Rivers. Town was a Plain, extending about three Miles in length; but every where else, a ridge of Hills. whose Summits were nearly upon a level, ran round the place at a moderate distance. Under the Walls; on the side facing the East, lay all the Forces of the d 4. Gauls

WII. were defended by a Ditch, and a Rampart fix Foot high. The Line of Contravallation begun by the Romans, took in a Circuit of eleven Miles. The Camp was conveniently fituated, and strengthened with three and twenty Redoubts, in which Sentinels were placed by Day, to give notice of any sudden Irruption, and a strong Guard, by Night, to defend them in case of Assault.

LXIV. WHILST the Romans were employed in these Works, Vercingetorix ventured on another Engagement of the Horse, in the Plain between the Hills, which, we have faid, extended about three Miles in length. The Contest was sharply maintained on both sides; but our Men at length beginning to give ground, Casar detached the Germans to their Assistance, and drew up the Legions in order of Battle before the Camp, that he might be ready to oppose any sudden Irruption of the Enemy's Infantry. The fight of the Legions revived the Courage of our Men: the Enemy were put to flight; and crowding upon one another in their Retreat, so obstructed the Gates of the Camp. that it became in a manner impossible to enter. The Germans purfued them to their Intrenchments, where a very great Slaughter enfued. Some quitting their Horses, endeavoured to pass the Ditch, and get over the Rampart. Cafar perceiving their Disorder, ordered the Legions, whom he had drawn out before the Camp, to advance a little. Motion no less alarmed the Gauls within the Rampart; who believing the whole Body of the Roman Army was coming to attack them, founded to Arms. Some in their fright fled into the Town; upon which Vercingetorix, fearing the Camp would be abandoned, ordered the Gates to be shut. At length the Germans,

Germans, having slain great numbers of the Enemy, BOOK and taken a multitude of Horses, returned from the VII.

Pursuit.

LXV. Vercingetorix, before our Line was compleated, refolved to difmiss his Cavalry by Night. At parting he enjoined them, "To repair " severally to their respective States, and assemble " all the Men capable of bearing Arms. He set " forth the many Services he had done them, and " conjured them not to neglect his Safety, or aban-" don to the Cruelty of the Enemy, one who had " deserved so well of the common Liberty. " told them, that if they were remis in the Exe-" cution of his Orders, no less than eighty thou-" fand chosen Men must perish with him: That " by computation, he had scarce Corn for thirty "Days: and that even with the utmost Oeconomy "it could be made to hold out but a very little "longer." After giving these Instructions, he dismissed them quietly about nine at night, on the fide where the Roman Line was not yet finished. He then ordered the People of the Town to bring in all their Corn, threatening them with Death in case of Disobedience. As there was a great number of Cattle in the Place, which had been driven thither by the Mandubians, he distributed them to the Soldiers man by man, resolving to deliver out the Corn sparingly and by measure. At the same time he made all his Forces enter the Town; and having thus settled the Plan of his Desence, waited for the expected Succours.

LXVI. CESAR having notice of these things from the Prisoners and Deserters, constructed his Lines in the following manner. He made a Ditch twenty Foot wide, with perpendicular Sides, giving

BOOK it the same breadth at bottom as at top. other Works were four hundred Feet further off the Town than this Ditch. As his Lines included fo great a Space, and therefore could not be alike guarded in all Parts, he judged this Precaution necessary, to secure them against sudden Sallies by Night, and screen the Workmen from the Enemy's Darts by Day. Observing this distance, he made two other Ditches, fifteen Feet broad, and as many deep; and filled the innermost, which lay in a low and level Ground, with Water from the River. Behind these was a Rampart of twelve Feet high, strengthened with a Parapet and Battlements: and to prevent the Enemy from getting over, a Fraise ran along the foot of the Parapet, made of long Stakes, with their Branches cut in points, and burnt at the end like a Stag's Horns. The whole Work was flanked with Redoubts, eighty Foot distant one from another.

> LXVII. Bur as the Soldiers were employed at the same time to fetch Wood and Provisions, and to work at the Fortifications; which confiderably leffuned the number of Troops left to defend the Camp, many of them being at a distance on these Services: and as the Gauls, besides, often sallied at several Gates, with design to interrupt the Works: for all these Reasons, Casar judged it necessary to make some addition to his Lines, that they might not require so many Men to guard them. therefore took Trees of no great height, or large Branches, which he caused to be made sharp at the ends; and running a Trench of five Feet deep before the Lines, he ordered them to be put into it, and made fast at bottom, so that they could not be pulled up. This Trench was again filled up in fuch a manner, that nothing but the Branches of the He sa

Head appeared, of which the Points must have BOOK run into those who should have endeavoured to pass them. As there were five rows of them, interwoven in a manner with each other, they were unavoidable. The Soldiers called them Cippi. In the front of these he caused Pits of three Feet deep to be dug in form of the Quincunx, and fomething narrower at bottom than at top. In these Pits he fixed strong Stakes, about the thickness of a Man's Thigh, burnt and sharpened at the top, which rose only four Inches above the level of the Ground, into which they were planted three Feet deeper than the Pits, for the fake of firmness. The Pits were covered over with Bushes to deceive the Enemy. There were eight rows of them at the distance of three Feet from each other. They were called Lilies, from the resemblance they bore to that Flower. In the front of all, he fowed the whole Space between the Pits and the advanced Ditch with Crowsfeet of an extraordinary fize, which the Soldiers called Spurs.

LXVIII. THESE Works compleated, he drew another Line of fourteen Miles in compass, constructed in the same manner as the former, and carried thro' the most even Places he could find, to serve as a Barrier against the Enemy without; that if the Gauls should attack the Camp in his Absence, they might not be able to surround it with the Multitude of their Troops, or charge with equal Vigour in all parts. At the same time, to prevent the Danger his Men might be exposed to, by being sent in quest of Provisions and Forage, he took care to lay in a sufficient stock of both for thirty Days.

LXIX. WHILST these things passed before Alesia, a general Council being held of the principal Noblemen of Gaul, it was not thought proper to affemble all that were able to bear Arms, as Vercingetorix defired, but to order each Nation to furnish a Contingent; left the Confusion inseparable from: so great a Multitude, should bring on a scarcity of Provisions, or render the observance of military Discipline impracticable. The Æduans, with their Vassals the Segusians, Ambivareti, Aulerci Brannovices, and Brannovii, were rated at thirty-five thousand. A like number was demanded from the Averni, in conjunction with their Dependents the Cadurci, Gabali, and Velauni. The Senones, Sequani, and Biturigians, Xantones, Rutheni, and Carnutes, were ordered each to furnish twelve thousand: the Bellevaci, ten thoufand: the Lemovices, the same number: the Pictones. Turent, Parisians, and Suessiones, each eight thousand: the Ambiani, Mediomatrici, Petrocorians, Nervians, Morini, Nitobrigians, and Aulerci Cenomani, each five thousand: the Atrebatians, four thousand: the Bollocasians, Lexovians, and Aulerci Eburovices, each three thousand: the Rauraci and Bail, thirty thoufand: the maritime and Armorican States, of which number are the Curiosolites, Rhedones, Caletes, Ofismians, Lemovices, Venetians, and Unellians, each fix thousand. The Bellovaci alone refused to furnish the Troops required, pretending it was their Defign to wage an independent War with the Romans, without being subject to the controll of any one; however, at the request of Comius, for whom they had a great Respect, they sent a Body of two thousand Men.

LXX. This Comius, as we have related above, had been fingularly faithful and ferviceable to Cafar

in his Britannick Expedition; in confideration of BOOK which, his State had been exempted from all Tribute, restored to the full enjoyment of its Laws and Privileges, and even enlarged, by having the Country of the Morini added to its Territories. But such was the present Unanimity of the Gauls. in the Design of vindicating their Liberty, and recovering their wonted Reputation in War, that neither Benefits received, nor the strictest Ties of Friendship, could make any Impression upon their Minds; but all with one Consent flew to Arms, and contributed largely to the support of the War. The Country of the Aduans was the general Rendezvous of the Army, which amounted to eight thousand Horse, and two hundred and forty thoufand Foot. Four Commanders in chief were appointed; Comius of Arras, Virdumarus and Eporedorix the Æduans, and Vergafillaunus of Auvergne, Cousin-german to Vercingetorix. To these were added a select number of Officers, chosen from among the several States, to serve by way of a Council of War. The whole Army advanced towards Alefta, full of Courage and Confidence, and satisfied that the Romans would not fustain the very fight of so prodigious a Multitude; especially in an Encounter attended with so much hazard, where they must be exposed to a vigorous Sally from the Town, at the fame time that they faw themselves surrounded with fuch Numbers of Horse and Foot.

LXXI. MEAN-WHILE the Troops shut up in Alesia, having consumed all their Provisions, finding the Day appointed for the Arrival of Succours expired, and knowing nothing of what was transacted among the Æduans, summoned a Council of War, to debate upon what was requisite in the present Exigence. Various Opinions were proposed:

BOOK some advised a Surrender: others were for salfying while yet their Strength would permit: amongst the rest Critognatus, a Man of the first Rank and Authority in Auvergne, addressed the Assembly in a Speech, which for its fingular and detestable Inhumanity, deserves a particular mention in this place. 1 shall not, says he, take notice of the Opinion 44 of those, who endeavour to shelter an ignomini-46 ous Servitude, under the plaufible Name of a ss Surrender; fuch should neither be reckoned " Gauls, nor suffered to come to this Council. Let me rather apply myself to them who propose a se general Sally: for here, as all of you feem to 44 think, we meet with fomething worthy of our " ancient Virtue. And yet I am not afraid to fay, "that it is at the bottom Weakness, and not Cou-" rage, that inspires such Thoughts, and renders " us unable to support Want a few Days. It is easier to find those who will voluntarily rush on Fi Death, than fuch as can patiently endure Pain. '" I shall not however be against this Proposal, " which I confess has fomething generous in it, if " only our own Lives were at stake. But in this 66 Deliberation, we must keep all Gaul in view, " whom we have called to our Affistance. 46 would it dispirit our Relations and Friends, to se fee eighty thousand of their Countrymen slaugh-" tered in one Place, and be obliged to fight in the " midst of their dead Bodies! Deprive not then of 44 your Affistance those, who, to fave you, have exposed themselves to the greatest Dangers; nor "thro' an inconfiderate Temerity, and mistaken 46 Valour, destroy at once all the Expectations of "Gaul, and plunge her into perpetual Servitude. " If the expected Succours are not arrived exactly es at the appointed time, ought you therefore to fuspect the Fidelity and Constancy of your Coun-"trymen?

trymen? And can you think that it is for BOOK "Amusement only, that the Romans labour on " those Lines towards the Country? Tho' you hear not from your Friends, because all Com-" munication is hindered; yet you may learn the approach of the Succours from your Enemies themselves; who, thro fear of them, work "Day and Night without ceasing on those Fortifications. What then should I propose? What but secto do as our Ancestors did in the War with the " Teutones and Cimbri, much less' interesting than that we are now engaged in. Compelled to thut themselves up in their Towns, and reduced to a "Diffress equal to that we now experience, rather than furrender to their Enemies, they chose to 46 facrifice to their Subsistence the Bodies of those " whom Age incapacitated for War. Had we no " fuch Precedent to follow, yet still I should esteem " it glorious, in so noble a Cause as that of Liberty. to institute and give one to Posterity. For where " had we ever a War upon our hands like that we " are now engaged in? The Cimbri, after laying " waste Gaul, and spreading Desolation thro' the "whole Country, withdrew however their Forces 44 at length, and repaired to other Regions, leav-" ing us the full enjoyment of our Laws, Customs, "Lands, and Liberties. But the Romans instigat-" ed by Envy, and, jealous of a People to re-" nowned and powerful in War, aim and inmed " nothing less than to establish themselves in our "Cities and Territories, and reduce us to perpetual Servitude. This has ever been the Object " of all their Wars. If you are unacquainted with what passes in distant Countries, cast your " Eyes upon the adjoining Gaul, which reduced " into the form of a Province, stript of its Laws and Privileges, and subjected to the arbitrary " Sway

BOOK" Sway of the Conqueror, groans under an endless "Yoke of Slavery." When all had delivered their Opinions, a Resolution was taken, that such as by Age or Sickness were unfit for War, should be obliged to quit the Town, and every Expedient be tried, rather than give into the Proposal of Critognatus: but if Necessity urged, and Relief was long deferred, they determined upon submitting to his Advice, preferably to Peace or a Surrender. Mandubii, to whom the City belonged, were driven thence with their Wives and Children. When they came to the Roman Lines, they with Tears petitioned to be received as Slaves, and faved from perishing miserably by Famine. But Casar having planted Guards along the Rampart, refused to admit them into his Camp.

> LXXII. MEAN-WHILE Comius, and the other general Officers, on whom the chief Command had been conferred, arrived before Alefia with all their Forces, and encamped on a Hill without the Town, not above five hundred Paces from the Roman Lines. The next Day they drew out their Cavalry, and covered the whole Plain under the Hill, which, as we have already faid, extended three Miles in length. The Infantry were stationed st some distance on the Heights, yet so as to lie concealed from the view of the Romans. As Alesta commanded a full prospect of the Plain below, the Succours were foon discovered by the Besieged, who affembling in crowds, congratulated each other; and testifyed an universal Joy. Immediately they came forth with all their Forces, posted themselves before the Town, and having filled up the nearest Ditch with Earth and Fascines, prepared for a vigorous Sally, and every thing else that might happen.

LXXIII,

LXXIII. CESAR having disposed his whole BOOK Army on both fides the Works, that in case of need, every Soldier might know his Post, and be ready to maintain it, ordered the Cavalry to fally out upon the Enemy, and begin the Charge. The Camp running along a ridge of a rifing Ground, commanded a view of the Plain on all sides; and the Soldiers to a Man, with deep attention, waited the issue of the Combat. The Gauls had interspersed among their Cavalry fome Archers and light-armed Troops, to fustain them in case of need, and check the Impetuolity of our Horse. Several of the Romans being wounded by these at the first Charge. were obliged to quit the Battle. The Gauls now believing they had the Advantage, and feeing our Men overpowered by numbers, fet up an universal Shout, as well within as without the Place, to give new life to their Troops. As the Action passed in the view of both Armies, who were of course Witnesses to the Valour or Cowardice of the Combatants, the defire of Applause, or fear of Ignominy, spurred on each Side to exert their utmost Bravery. After a Conflict that lasted from Noon 'till near Sun-fet, Victory all the while continuing doubtful, the Germans in close Order charged furiously the Enemy on one fide, and forced them to give ground. Their Flight leaving the Archers exposed, they were all furrounded and cut to pieces. Success was equal in other parts of the Field, where our Men pursuing the Runaways to their Camp, gave them no time to rally. The Troops who had quitted Alesia, despairing now almost of Victory, returned disconsolate to the Town.

LXXIV. AFTER the interval of a Day, which was wholly spent in providing a great number of Vol. II. e Fascines,

BOOKFascines, Scaling-Ladders, and iron Hooks; the Gauls issuing from their Camp at midhight in great filence, attacked the Roman Lines on the fide of the Plain. They began with fetting up a fudden Shout, to advertise the Besieged of their Arrival; threw their Fascines into the Ditch; endeavoured by a discharge of Stones, Darts, and Arrows, to drive our Men from the Rampart; and practifed every thing necessary to render the Storm successful. the fame time Vercingetorix, hearing their Cries, founded to Arms, and led forth his Men to the Attack. The Romans, whose Posts had been allotted them fome Days before, flew to the Works, and with Slings, Darts, Bullets, and Engines, prepared on purpose, struck a Terror into the Assailants. As the Parties could not see one another by reason of the Darkness, many Wounds were received on both fides, and a great number of Darts discharged from the Engines. But M. Antonius and C. Trebonius, who commanded on the side that was most pressed by the Enemy, took care to draw out Parties from the more distant Redoubts, and send them where their Assistance was chiefly wanted.

LXXV. WHILE the Gauls kept at a distance from our Lines, they did great execution by the multitude of their Darts: but in proportion as they approached, they either intangled themselves unawares among the Caltrops, or tumbling into the Wells were wounded by the pointed Stakes, or were pierced by the Darts discharged from the Towers and Rampart. After many Wounds given and received; finding, when Day appeared, that they had not forced any part of the Lines; and fearing to be taken in flank by some Troops that were sallying from the Redoubts on the Eminence, they retreated to their Camp. Mean-while the Besieged,

after much time spent in preparing for a Sally, and BOOK filling up the advanced Ditch, finding that their VII. Countrymen were retired, before they could so much as approach the Works, returned into the Town without effecting any thing.

LXXVI. THE Gauls thus twice repulfed with great Loss, consult what new measures they are to purfue; and advising with those who knew the Ground, learnt from them the Strength and Situation of the upper Camp. North of the Town was a Hill of too great a compass to be taken into the Circumvallation; infomuch that the Romans had been obliged to post themselves on its Ascent, in a very disadvantageous Situation, because their Camp was commanded by its Summit. C. Antistius Reginus, and C. Caninius Rebilus, Lieutenant-generals, guarded this Quarter with two Legions. Enemy's Generals, after informing themselves of the nature of the Country by their Scouts, selected five and fifty thousand of their best Troops, concerted privately among themselves the Plan and Manner of acting, appointed the time for the Affault about noon, and affigned the Command of the Detachment to Vergafillaunus of Auvergne, one of the four principal Leaders, and a near Relation of Vercingetorix. Vergafillaunus leaving his Camp in the Evening, finished his March by Day-break; and concealing his Troops behind a Hill, ordered his Soldiers to refresh themselves after their Fatigue. As foon as it was noon, he approached the Quarters of the two Legions. At the same time the Cavalry advanced into the Plain, and the whole Army drew out before the Camp.

LXXVII. VERCINGETORIX observing these Motions from the Citadel of Alesia, led forth his e 2 Troops; BOOK Troops; carrying along with him the Fascines, VII. long Poles, covered Galleries, Hooks, and other Instruments he had prepared for the Assault. Fight was maintained at all fides at once; nor did the Gauls leave any thing unattempted, but flocked continually to those parts of the Works which appeared to be the weakest. The Roman Forces having so many Works to guard, were dispersed in different Places, and scarce sufficed for the defence of them all. What mostly contributed to disturb them was, the Cries of the Combatants behind, which informed them that their Safety depended on the Valour of others. For fuch is the Constitution of the human Mind, as always to aggrandize absent Objects, and magnify the Danger that is out of fight.

> LXXVIII. CÆSAR chose a Post from whence he could see every thing, and then sent Reinforcements where necessary. Both Parties called to mind, that now was the time for making the greatest Effort. The Gauls had no hope of Sasety, but in forcing the Roman Lines. Our Men again were fensible, that if they came off victorious on this Occasion, all their Labours would be at an end. The chief stress of the Battle lay at the higher Fortifications, where Vergasillaunus charged with his Detachment; because the small Eminence, which commanded the declivity of the Hill, gave the Enemy great Advantage. Some were employed in throwing Darts; others advanced to the Attack under cover of their Shields, fresh Men still succeeding in the room of those that were fatigued. The Earth they threw up against our Lines, not only enabled them to ascend the Rampart, but entirely frustrated the design of the Works the Romans had made in the Ground. In fine, our Men had neither

neither Strength nor Weapons left to make relist-BOOK ance.

LXXIX. CÆSAR observing the danger they were in, fent Labienus with fix Cohorts to their Affistance; ordering him, if he found himself unable to defend the Works, to fally out upon the Enemy; yet this only in case of Extremity. himself went in person to the rest of the Troops, exhorting them to bear up courageously under their present Fatigue, and representing, that the Fruit of all their former Victories depended upon the Issue of that critical Day and Hour. The Troops within the Place, despairing to force the Intrenchments on the fide of the Plain, because of the great Strength of the Works, attacked them in the more fleep and difficult Places, whither they brought all the Instruments prepared for the Assault. soon drove our Men from the Towersby a discharge of Darts, levelled the way with Earth and Fascines, and began to cut down the Rampart and Breastwork with their Hooks.

LXXX. Cæsar first sent young Brutus, with six Cohorts; after him, C. Fabius, Lieutenant-general, with seven more; and last of all, as the Dispute grew very warm, marched himself in person at the head of the whole Detachment. Having by this means restored the Battle, and forced the Enemy to retire, he hastened to the side where Labienus was engaged. He drew four Cohorts from the nearest Fort, ordered part of the Cavalry to follow him, and charged the rest to take a Circuit round the outward Works, and fall upon the Enemy's Rear. Labienus sinding that neither the Rampart nor Ditch were sufficient to stop the Progress of the Enemy, drew together about thirty-nine Cohorts e 3

FOOK from the nearest Forts, and sent to inform Casar of VII. his Design. Casar immediately quickened his March, that he might be present at the Action.

LXXXI. His Arrival being known from the Colour of his Garments, by which he used to diflinguish himself in a Day of Battle; and the Troops and Cohorts he had ordered to follow him, appearing; all which were eafily difcerned from the higher Ground: the Enemy began the Charge. A mighty Shout was raised on both sides, which being catched by those on the Rampart, was carried quite round the Lines. Our Men, having cast their Darts, fell upon the Gauls Sword in hand. fame time the Cavalry appeared unexpectedly in their Rear: fresh Cohorts flocked continually to our Affistance: the Enemy took to flight, and in their Retreat were encountered by our Horse: a dreadful Slaughter ensued. Sedulius, Chief and General of the Lemovices, was flain on the spot; Vergasillaunus of Auvergne, was made Prisoner in the Purfuit; seventy-four Colours were taken, and brought to Cæsar; and out of so great a Multitude, very few regained the Gaulifb Camp. The Rout and Slaughter being observed from the Town, the Befieged, despairing of Success, drew off their Troops from the Attack. Instantly, upon the Report of this Disaster, the Gauls abandoned their Camp; and had not our Troops been wearied out by the continual Fatigue of the Day, and the frequent Reinforcements they were obliged to furnish, the Enemy's whole Army might have been exterminat-At midnight Casar detached the Cavalry to pursue them, who falling in with their Rear, slew fome, and took a great number of Prifoners. rest escaped to their several Habitations.

LXXXII. Next Day Vercingetorix affembling BOOK a Council, represented to the Besseged; "That he " had undertaken that War, not from a Motive of " private Interest, but to recover the common Li-" berty of Gaul: and that, fince there was a Ne-" cessity of yielding to Fortune, he was willing to " become a Victim for their Safety, whether they " should think proper to appeale the Anger of the " Conqueror by his Death, or to deliver him up " alive." A Deputation immediately waited on Cafar to receive his Orders. He infifted on the Surrender of their Arms, and the delivering up of all their Chiefs. Having accordingly feated himfelf at the head of his Lines before the Camp: their Leaders were brought; Vercingetorix delivered up; and their Arms thrown into the Ditch. the Æduans and Averni, as a means to recover those two potent Nations, he divided the rest of the Prifoners among his Soldiers, giving to each one.

LXXXIII. THESE Affairs dispatched, he marched into the Territories of the *Æduans*, where he received the Submission of their State. There he was addressed by the Ambassadors of the Averni, who promised an entire Obedience to his Commands. He exacted a great number of Hostages; fent his Legions into Winter-quarters; and restored about twenty thousand Captives to the Aduans and T. Labienus, with two Legions and the Averni. Cavalry, was quartered among the Sequani, jointly with M. Sempronius Rutilus. C. Fabius, and L. Minutius Basilus, were ordered with two Legions into the Country of the Rhemi, to defend it against the Attempts of the Bellovaci their Neighbours. Antiftius Reginus had his Station affigned him among the Ambivareti; T. Sextius among the Biturigians;

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BOOK and C. Caninius Rebilus among the Rutheni; each VII. with one Legion. Q. Tullius Cicero, and P. Sulpicius, were placed at Cabillo and Matisco upon the Arar, in the Country of the Æduans, to have the care of Provisions. He himself resolved to winter at Bibrasie. The Senate being informed of these things by Casar's Letters, a Procession of twenty Days was decreed.

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THE ARGUMENT.

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N consequence of your repeated Importunities, Balbus, I have at last been prevailed with to engage in a very delicate Work; searing lest my daily Resusals should be construed rather to flow from Idleness, than any sense of the Difficulty of the Undertaking. I therefore here present you with a Continuation of Casar's Commentaries of his Wars in Gaul, tho' not in any respect to be compared with what he himself wrote on the same Subject, nor with the Memoirs of the Civil War, which he likewise lest behind him impersect, and which I have in the same manner carried down from the Transactions at Alexandria, to the end, I will not say of our civil Dissensions, which are like to have no end, but of Casar's Life, I would have all who read

BOO Kread these Pieces know, with how much Reluctance I engaged in this Design; that I may be the more easily acquitted of the Charge of Arrogance and Folly, for presuming to insert my Writings amongst those of Cæsar. It is universally agreed, that the most elaborate Compositions of others, fall far short of the Elegance of these Commentaries. deed intended them only as Memoirs for future Historians; but they are every where in such high Esteem, as serves rather to discourage other Writers, than furnish them for the Attempt. This Circumflance the more commands our Admiration, because while the rest of the World can judge only of the Beauty and Correctness of the Work, we besides know with what Ease and Dispatch it was composed. Cafar not only possessed the Talent of Writing in the highest perfection, but was likewise best able to unfold the Reasons of those military Operations, of which he was himself the Contriver and Director. On the contrary, it was my Misfortune to be prefent neither in the Alexandrian nor African Wars: and tho' I had many of the Particulars relating to both from his own Mouth, yet we give a very different Attention to things, when we hear them only thro' an Admiration of their Novelty and Greatness. and when with a view of transmitting them to Posterity. But I forbear any farther Apologies, lest in enumerating the Reasons why my Work ought not to be compared with that of Casar, I fall under the Suspicion of flattering myself, that in the Judgment of some, it may not seem altogether unworthy of that Honour. . . .

I CAUL being wholly reduced, Cafar was defirous that his Troops might enjoy fome Repose during the Winter, especially after so long and fatiguing a Campaign, in which there had been

no Intermission from the Toils of War: but he BOOK soon understood, that several States were meditating a Revolt, and contriving all at once to take up Arms. The Cause assigned for this Conduct was not improbable: for though the Gauls were by this time fully sensible, that it was impossible for them to resist the Roman Army entire, by any Forces they could bring into the Field; yet still they thought, that if many States revolted together, and set on foot as many different Wars, the Romans would have neither Time nor Troops to subdue them all; and that though some among them must be Sufferers, their Lot would be the more supportable, as the Delay occasioned by that Diversion, might procure the Liberty of the whole Nation.

II. Cæsar, to stifle this Opinion in its Birth, left M. Antony the Questor to command in his Winter-quarters; and setting out the last of December from Bibrate, with a Guard of Cavalry, went to the Camp of the thirteenth Legion, which he had placed among the Biturigians, not far from the Territories of the Æduans. To this he joined the eleventh Legion, whose Quarters lay nearest; and leaving two Cohorts to guard the Baggage, marched with the rest of the Army into the most sertile Parts of the Country of the Biturigians; who having large Territories, and abounding in Towns, had not been awed by the presence of a single Legion, from forming Confederacies, and preparing for War.

III. CASAR by his sudden and unexpected Arrival, as was natural to suppose, found them unprepared and dispersed up and down the Fields; insomuch that they were easily surprised by the Horse, before they could retreat into their Towns. For he had expressly

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BOOK expresly forbid setting fire to the Houses, the usual fign of an Invasion, that he might neither alarm the Enemy by the Conflagration, nor expose himself to the want of Corn and Forage, if he should advance far into the Country. Having made many thousands of the Biturigians Prisoners; such as could escape the first coming of the Romans, fled in great Terror to the neighbouring States, relying either upon private Friendship, or the Ties of a mutual Confederacy. But all was to no purpose: for Cæsar by great Marches foon reached their Places of Retreat, and making every Province anxious for its own Safety, left them no time to think of giving shelter This Diligence confirmed the Well-afto others. fected in their Duty, and obliged the Wavering to hearken to Conditions of Peace. The like Offers were made to the Biturigiaus; who seeing that Cafar's Clemency left the way still open to his Friendship; and that the neighbouring States, upon delivery of Hostages, had been pardoned and received into Protection; resolved to follow the Example. Casar, to recompense the Fatigue and Labour of his Soldiers, who in the Winter-feafon, through difficult Ways, and during the most intense Colds, had followed him with incredible Patience and Constancy; promised a Reward of two hundred Sesterces to every private Man, and two thousand to every Centurion: and having fent back the Legions to their Winter-quarters, returned again to Bibratte, after an absence of forty Days.

> IV. WHILST he was there employed in the diftribution of Justice, Ambassadors arrived from the Biturigians, to implore his Assistance against the Carnutes, who were laying waste their Country. Upon this Intelligence, tho' he had not rested above eighteen

eighteen Days, he immediately fent for the fixth and BOOK fourteenth Legions, which he had quartered along VIII. the Arar for the convenience of Provisions, as has been related in the foregoing Book. With these two Legions he marched against the Carnutes; who hearing of his Approach, and dreading the same Calamities which others had been made to fuffer, abandoned their Towns and Villages, confifting mostly of little Cottages run up in haste, to desend them from the Cold, (for most of their Cities had been destroyed in the late War,) and sled different Cafar, unwilling to expose his Soldiers to the feverity of the Storms, which commonly rage with the greatest Violence at that Season, fixed his Camp at Genabum; and lodged his Men, partly in the Huts lately built by the Gauls, partly in the old Houses, whose Walls were still standing, and which he ordered to be thatched with Straw, that they might afford the better shelter to the Troops. But he fent the Cavalry, and the auxiliary Foot, into all parts where he understood the Enemy were retired: nor without Success; for they commonly returned loaden with Spoil. The Carnutes distressed by the difficulty of the Season, the sense of their Danger, (because being driven from their Habitations, they durft not continue long in any Place for fear of our Parties,) and finding no protection in the Woods against the extreme Severity of the Weather; were at length dispersed on all sides with great Loss, and scattered among the neighbouring States.

V. Casar thinking it sufficient in that difficult Season, to have dispersed the Troops that began to affemble, and prevented their rekindling the War; and being likewise well assured, as far as human Prudence could determine, that it would be impossible

BOOK fible for them, during the ensuing Summer, to raise up any very dangerous War; left C. Trebonius, with the two Legions he had brought along with him, to winter at Genabum. Mean-while understanding by frequent Embassies from the Rhemi, that the Bellovaci, the most distinguished for Bravery of all the Belgian and Gallick Nations, with some of the neighbouring States, under the Conduct of Correus General of the Bellovaci, and Comius the Atrebatian, were raising an Army, and drawing their Forces to a general Rendezvous, with design to invade the Territories of the Suessiones, a People fubject to the Jurisdiction of the Rhemi; he thought, that both Honour and Interest required him to undertake the defence of Allies, who had deserved so well of the Commonwealth. He therefore drew the eleventh Legion again out of its Winter-quarters; wrote to C. Fabius, to march the two Legions under his command into the Country of the Suessiones; and ordered Labienus to send one of those he was charged with. Thus, as far as the convenience of Winter-quarters, and the nature of the War would allow, he employed the Legions alternately in Expeditions, giving himself, mean-while, no intermission from Fatigue.

VI. WITH these Forces he marched against the Bellovaci, and encamping within their Territories, dispersed his Cavalry on all sides to make Prisoners, from whom he might learn the Enemy's Designs. The Horse, in consequence of this Commission, brought him back word, that the Lands and Houses were in a manner quite abandoned, and that the sew Prisoners they had found, after a most diligent Search, were not lest to cultivate the Ground, but to serve as Spies. Casar enquiring of these, whither the Bellovaci were retired, and what might be their Designs,

Designs, found: " That all of them capable of BOOK bearing Arms had affembled in one Place, and been joined by the Ambiani, Allerci, Caletes, Wellocasians, and Atrebatians: That they had chosen " for their Camp a rifing Ground, furrounded with a difficult Morals, and disposed of their Baggage " in remote Woods: That a great many of their ⁴⁶ Chiefs were concerned in the War, but the principal Authority rested in Correus, because he was known to bear an implacable hatted to the Roman Name: That a few Days before, Comius had left " the Camp to solicit Aid of the Germans, who were their nearest Neighbours; and abounded in "Troops: That it had been resolved among the " Bellovaci, with consent of all the Generals, and " at the earnest desire of the People; if Cafar " came at the head of only three Legions, as was " reported, to offer him Battle; lest they should " be afterwards obliged to fight upon harder and more unequal Terms, when he had got his whole "Army together: but if he brought greater " Forces along with him; to continue within their " Camp; intercept his Corn and Convoys; and " cut off his Forage, which in that Season of the "Year was extremely scarce, and very much dif-" perfed."

VII. THESE things being confirmed by the Teffimony of all the Prisoners; Cafar, who found their Besigns sull of Prudence, and remote from the usual Testimony of Barbarians; resolved by all manner of ways to draw them into a Contempt of his Numbers, that he might the more easily bring them to an Engagement. He had with him the seventh; eighth, and ninth Legions, all Veterans of approved Valour; and the the eleventh was not of equal Vol. II.

BOOK flanding, nor had attained the same reputation of VIII. Bravery, they were yet a chosen Youth of great Hopes, who had ferved under him eight Campaigns. Calling therefore the Army together, he laid before them the Advices he had received, and exhorted the Soldiers to preserve their wonted Courage. the same time, to draw the Enemy to an Engagement, by an appearance of only three Legions, he fo contrived the order of his March, that disposing the feventh, eighth, and ninth Legions in front; the Baggage, which, as in a hasty Expedition, was but moderate, behind them; and the eleventh Legion in the rear of all; no more Troops were in view, than what the Gauls themselves had determined to hazard an Action against. The Army thus drawn up, formed a kind of Square, and arrived before the Enemy's Camp much sooner than expected.

> VIII. When the Gauls perceived the Legions advancing fuddenly against them in order of Battle with a steddy pace, they altered the Resolution which had been reported to Cesar; and either fearing the Success of the Battle, furprised at so sudden an Approach, or willing to know our further Defigns, drew up before their Camp, without descending from the higher Ground. Casar, tho' desirous to come to an Engagement; yet surprised at the Multitude of the Enemy, and reflecting on the advantage of their Situation; as being separated from him by a Valley, still more considerable for its depth than breadth; contented himself for the prefent to encamp directly over-against them. threw up a Rampart twelve Feet high, strengthened by a proportionable Breast-work; and secured it by two Ditches, each fifteen Feet deep, with perpendicular Sides. He likewife raised several Tur

rets of three Stories, and joined them to each BOOK other by Galleries, having little Parapets of Osier before, that the Works might be defended by a double range of Soldiers; one of which fighting from the Galleries, and secured by their height, would with more Boldness and Advantage lanch their Darts against the Enemy; the other, tho nearer Danger, and planted upon the Rampart itself, were yet screened by the Galleries from the impending Darts. All the entrances to the Camp were secured by strong Gates, over which he placed very high Towers.

IX. He had a twofold Design in these Fortifications: one, by the greatness of the Works, to make the Enemy believe him afraid, and thereby increase their Prefumption and Confidence: the other, to enable him to defend his Camp with a few Troops, when it was necessary to go far in quest of Corn and forage. Mean-time there happened frequent Skirmiles between the two Camps, carried on for the most part with Arrows at a distance, by reason of ^a Morafs that separated the Combatants: sometimes indeed the auxiliary Gauls and Germans crossed the Morals, and purfued the Enemy: fometimes again the Enemy having the Advantage, passed in their tum, and drove back our Men. And as we daily ient out Parties to forage, who were obliged to difperfe, and scatter themselves from house to house over the whole Country; it now and then fell out, is was unavoidable in these Circumstances, that our foragers were furprised and cut to pieces by their Detachments. These Losses, tho' very inconsiderable to us, as being mostly confined to some Carhages and Servants, yet strangely swelled the hopes of the Barbarians; and the more, as Comius, who had gone to fetch the German Auxiliaries, was now f 2 returned

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BOOK returned with a Body of Horse. And tho' the num-VIII. ber was not great, they not making in all above five hundred, the Enemy were nevertheless mightily encouraged by this Supply.

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X. CÆSAR, after a stay of many Days, finding that the Enemy still kept within their Camp, which was advantageously situated with a Morass in front: and confidering at the same time, that he could neither force their Intrenchments without great Loss, nor inclose them with Works with so small an Army; wrote to Trebonius, to send with all diligence for the thirteenth Legion, which was quartered among the Biturigians under the care of T. Sextius; and with that, and the two Legions under his own Command, make what hafte he could to ioin him. Mean-while he detached the Cavalry of Rheims, of the Ligones, and the other Provinces of Gaul, of which he had great numbers in his Camp, to guard by turns the Foragers, and protect them from the fudden Incursions of the Enemy.

XI. This was done every Day: but Custom by degrees relaxing their Diligence, as frequently happens in things of long continuance; the Bellovaci, who had observed the daily Stations of our Horse, placed a chosen Body of Foot in ambush in a Wood, and sent their Cavalry thither next Day, to draw our Men into the Snare, and then attack them surrounded on every side. This ill Fortune sell upon the Cavalry of Rheims, whose turn it was that Day to guard the Foragers: for these, suddenly discovering the Enemy's Cavalry, and despising their small numbers, pursued with such Eagerness, that they were at length surprised and surrounded by the Foot. This threw them into Confusion, and obliged them to retreat hastily, with the loss of Vertiscus

their General, and the chief Man of their State; BOOK who tho' so far advanced in years, that he could hardly sit on Horseback, yet according to the cuftom of the Gauls, would neither decline the Command on account of his Age, nor suffer them to sight without him. The Enemy were animated and encouraged by this Success, and the Death of the Chief and General of the Rhemi: our Men, on the other hand, were cautioned by their Loss, carefully to examine the Ground before they took their Posts, and pursue a retreating Enemy with more reserve.

XII. MEAN-WHILE the daily Skirmishes between the two Camps, at the Fords and Passes of the Morass, still continued. In one of these, the Germans, whom Cæsar had brought from beyond the Rhine. that they might fight intermingled with the Cavalry; boldly passing the Morass in a Body, put all that made refistance to the Sword, and pursued the rest with great Vigour. Fear not only seized those who fought hand to hand, or were wounded at a distance; but even the more remote Parties, who were posted to sustain the others, shamefully betook themselves to flight; and being driven from height to height, ceased not to continue the Rout, until they had reached their very Camp: nay some, quite confounded by their Fear, fled a great way beyond Their Danger spread so universal a Terror among the Troops, that it appeared hard to fay, whether they were more apt to be elated by a trifling Advantage, or depressed by an inconsiderable Loss.

XIII. AFTER a stay of many Days in this Camp: upon Information that C. Trebonius was approaching with the Legions; the Generals of the Bellovaci, fearing a Siege like that of Alesia, sent away by night all whom Age or Infirmities rendered unsit

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BOOK for Service; and along with them the Baggage of the whole Army. But before this confused and numerous Train could be put in order, (for the Gauls, even in their fudden Expeditions, are always attended with a vast number of Carriages,) Day-light appeared; and the Enemy were obliged to draw up before their Camp, to hinder the Romans from diflurbing the March of their Baggage. Cæsar did not think proper to attack them in fo advantageous a Post, nor was willing to remove his Legions to fuch a distance, as might give them an Opportunity of retreating without Danger. Observing therefore that the two Camps were divided by a very dangerous Morafs, the difficulty of passing which might greatly retard the Pursuit; and that beyond the Morass there was an Eminence, which in a manner commanded the Enemy's Camp, and was separated from it only by a small Valley; he laid Bridges over the Morafs, passed his Legions, and quickly gained the fummit of the Hill, which was fecured on each fide by the steepness of the ascent. Thence he marched his Legions in order of Battle to the extremest Ridge, and posted them in a place, where his Engines could play upon the Enemy's Battalions.

XIV. THE Gauls confiding in the strength of their Post, resolved not to decline a Battle, if the Romans should attack them on the Hill; and not daring to make their Troops file off, for sear of being charged when separated and in disorder, continued in the same posture. Casar perceiving their Obstinacy, kept twenty Cohorts already drawn up; and marking out a Camp in the place where he then stood, ordered it to be fortissed immediately. The Works being sinished, he drew up his Legions before the Rampart, and assigned the Cavalry their several

veral Posts, where they were to wait with their BOOK Horses ready bridled. The Bellovaci seeing the VIII. Romans prepared for the Pursuit; and finding it impossible to pass the Night, or continue longer in that Place without Provisions, fell upon the following Stratagem to fecure their Retreat. lected and placed at the head of their Line all the Fascines in the Camp, of which the number was very great, (for, as has been already observed, the Gauls commonly fit upon these, when drawn up in order of Battle,) and towards Night, upon a Signal given, fet fire to them all at once. The Flame blazing out on a fudden, with great violence, covered their Forces from the view of the Romans: and the Gauls laying hold of that Opportunity, retreated with the utmost Diligence.

XV. Tho' Cafar could not perceive the Enemy's departure, because of the Flames; yet suspecting that this was only a Contrivance to cover their Flight, he made the Legions advance, and detached the Cavalry to pursue them. Mean-while apprehending an Ambuscade, and that the Enemy might perhaps continue in the fame Post, to draw our Men into a place of Difadvantage, he took care to follow flowly with the Foot. The Cavalry not daring to enter that thick Column of Flame and Smoke: or if any had the Courage to adventure it, being unable to discern the very Heads of their Horses, thought proper to retire for fear of a Surprise, and left the Bellovaci at full liberty to escape. a Flight, which equally fpoke their Fear and Address, they retreated ten Miles without loss, and encamped in a place of great Advantage. Thence, by frequent Ambuscades of Horse and Foot, they often attacked and cut to pieces the Roman Foragers.

XVI.

XVI. CESAR having received many Losses of VIII. this kind, understood at last by a certain Prisoner, that Correus General of the Bellovaci, had chosen fix thousand of his best Foot, and a thousand Horse, to form an Ambuscade in a Place abounding in Corn and Grass, and where it was therefore presumed the Romans would come to forage. Upon this Intelligence, he drew our a greater number of Legionaries than usual; fent the Cavalry, who formed the ordinary Guard of the Foragers, before; intermixed them with Platoons of light-armed Foot: and advanced himself as near as possible with the Legions. The Enemy, who lay in ambush, having chosen for the place of Action a Plain of about a Mile every way, and environed on all sides with thick Woods, or a very deep River, which inclofed it as in a Toil, disposed their Forces all around. Our Men, who knew their Design, and advanced armed and resolved for Battle, because the Legions were behind to sustain them, entered the Plain troop by troop. Upon their Arrival, Correus thinking that now was the proper time for Action, appeared first with a few of his Men, and fell upon the nearest Squadrons. Our Men resolutely sustained the Attack, nor flocked together in Crowds, as frequently happens among the Cavalry on Occasions of sudden Surprise, when the very number of Combatants throws all into Confusion. The Squadrons fighting thus in good Order, and preserving a proper distance, to prevent their being taken in flank; fuddenly therest of the Gauls broke from the Woods. and advanced to the aid of those who fought under Correus. The Contest was carried on with great Heat, and continued for a long time with equal Advantage on both fides: when at last the Foot advancing flowly in order of Battle from the Woods, obliged

obliged our Men to give way. Upon this the light-BOOK armed Infantry, who, as we have observed, had been sent before the Legions, marched up speedily to their Assistance; and placing themselves in the intervals of the Squadrons, continued the Fight. The Contest again became equal. At length, as was natural in an Encounter of that kind, those who had fustained the first Charge of the Ambuscade, began for this very Reason to have the Supenority, because the Enemy had gained no Advantage over them. Mean-while the Legions approached, and both fides had notice at the same time that Cefar was advancing with his Forces in order of Battle. Our Troops, animated by this Hope, redoubled their Efforts; left by pushing the Enemy too flowly, the Legions should have time to come in for a share of the Victory. The Enemy, on the contrary, lost Courage, and fled different ways. But in vain: for the very Difficulties of the Ground, by which they hoped to have enfoared the Romans, served now to entangle themselves. Being at last vanquished and repulsed, with the loss of the best part of their Men, they fled in great terror whither Chance directed; some towards the Woods, some towards the River. The Romans urged the Pursuit with great keenness, and put many to the Sword. Mean-while Correus, whose Resolution no Missortune could abate, would neither quit the Fight, and retire to the Woods; nor accept of any offers of Quarter from our Men: but fighting on to the last with invincible Courage, and wounding many of the victorious Troops, constrained them at length to transfix him with their Javelins,

XVII. AFTER this Action; Cafar coming up just as the Battle was ended; and naturally supposing, that the Enemy, upon Intelligence of so considerable

book siderable a Deseat, would immediately abandon VIII. their Camp, which was not above eight Miles distant from the place of Slaughter: tho' he saw his March obstructed by the River, he passed it notwithstanding, and advanced with his Forces against them. But the Bellovaci, and the other States in their Alliance, hearing of their Disaster by some of the Runaways, who, tho' wounded, found means to escape under cover of the Woods; and finding that every thing was against them, their General stain, their Cavalry and the slower of their Insantry destroyed, and the Romans doubtless upon the March to attack them: speedily assembling a Council by sound of Trumpet, demanded with great Cries, that Ambassadors and Hostages might be sent to Cesar.

found of Trumpet, demanded with great Cries, that Ambassadors and Hostages might be sent to XVIII. This Proposal being approved by all, Comius the Atrebatian fled to the Germans, whose Asfistance he had obtained in the War. The rest immediately dispatched Ambassadors to Casar, and requested: "That he would regard their present Sufferings as a fufficient Punishment for their Reee volt, fince they were fuch, as his Humanity and "Clemency would never have fuffered him to in-"flict upon them, had he compelled them to fub-" mit entire and without fighting: That their " Power was utterly broken by the late Defeat of "their Cavalry: That several thousands of their " best Infantry were destroyed, scarce enough be-" ing left to bring them news of the Disaster: "That yet in so great a Calamity, it was no small " Advantage to the Bellovaci, that Correus, the " Author of the War, who had stirred up the " Multitude to revolt, was killed; because while " he lived, the headstrong Populace would always " have had more Authority in the State than the " Senate."

"Senate." The Ambassadors having ended their BOOK Speech, Cafar put them in mind: "That the Year VIII. " before, the Bellovaci had, in conjunction with the " other States of Gaul, taken up Arms against the " Romans: That of all the Confederates they had " persisted with the greatest Obstinacy in their Re-" volt, nor been induced by the Submission of the " rest to hearken to Reason: That nothing was " easier than to lay the blame of their Misconduct " upon the dead; but they would find it difficult " to make him believe, that a fingle Man could " have fo much Influence, as in spite of the oppo-" fition of the Nobility and Senate, and the Ef-" forts of all good Men, to stir up and support a "War, by the mere Authority of the Multitude: "That however, he would be fatisfied for the pre-" fent with the Punishment they had brought up-" on themselves."

XIX. NEXT Night the Deputies returned with Casar's Answer, and Hostages were immediately fent to the Roman Camp. The Deputies of the other States, who only waited the Event of this Treaty, immediately flocked to Cæsar, gave Hostages, and submitted to his Commands. Comius alone would not hear of treating, from a particular Distrust of the Romans. For the Year before, while Cæsar, was employed in the Affairs of Cisalpine Gaul, Labienus understanding that Comius was soliciting feveral States to rebel, and join in a Confederacy against the Romans; thought it might be allowed him to use Perfidy towards the Perfidious. because he expected to be refused, should he send for him to the Camp; that he might not by an unfuccessful Attempt put him upon his Guard, he employed C. Volusenus Quadratus, to kill him under pretence of an Interview; furnishing him with fome

BOOK some chosen Centurions for that Purpose. When VIII. the Interview began; and Volusenus, by way of signal, had taken Comius by the Hand; one of the Centurions, as if surprised at a Step so unusual, attempted to kill him; but Comius's Friends hastily interposing, he was prevented: however, the first Blow wounded him severely on the Head. Both sides immediately drew, not so much with a Design to engage, as to retire: our Men, because they believed Comius mortally wounded; the Gauls, because discovering the intended Treachery, they apprehended the Danger to be greater than as yet appeared. From that time Comius determined never to be in the same Place with any Roman.

XX. Cæsar having thus subdued the most warlike Nations of Gaul, and finding no State disposed to take up Arms, or make Resistance; but that only fome few had left their Towns and Possessions, to avoid present Subjection; resolved to divide his Army into several Bodies. M. Antony the Questor, with the eleventh Legion, had Orders to continue with him. C. Fabius was fent at the Head of twentyfive Cohorts, into the remotest Parts of Gaul; because he understood some States were in Arms on that fide, whom C. Caninius Rebilus, his Lieutenant, who commanded in those Provinces, was scarcely strong enough to oppose with only two Legions. He then fent for T. Labienus, and ordered the twelfth Legion, which he commanded, into Gallia Togata, to protect the Roman Colonies there, that they might not fuffer by the Incursions of the Barbarians, as had happened the Year before to the Tergestini, whose Territories had been plundered by a sudden and unexpected Invasion. He himself marched to ravage and lay waste the Territories of Ambiorix: for finding it impossible to lay hold on that perfidious Gaul, whose Fear prompted him to fly conti-BOOK nually before him; he thought it behoved him, in regard to his own Dignity, so effectually to ruin the Country, by destroying his Towns, Cattle, and Subjects, as might render him odious to his Followers, if any still remained, and deprive him of all hope of being restored to his Possessions. ving spread his Legions and Auxiliaries over the whole Country of Ambioria, destroyed all with Fire and Sword, and either killed or made Prisoners an infinite number of People; he dispatched Labienus, with two Legions, against the Treviri; whose Country, bordering upon Germany, and exercised in continual Wars, differed little from the Temper and Fierceness of that Nation; nor ever submitted to his Commands, unless enforced by the Presence of an Army.

XXI. MEAN-TIME C. Caninius, Lieutenant-general, understanding by Letters and Messengers from Duracius, who had always continued faithful to the Romans, even in the Defection of many of his own State; that great Numbers of the Enemy were affembled in the Territories of the Pittones; marched towards the Town of Limo. Upon his Arrival there, having certain Information from forme Prisoners, that Duracius was shut up and befleged in Limo, by a great Army of Gauls, under the Conduct of Dumnacus, General of the Andes; as he was not strong enough to attack the Enemy, he encamped in a Place of great Advantage. Dumnacus hearing of his Approach, turned all his Forces against the Legions, and resolved to invest the Roman Camp. But after many Days spent in the Attack, and the loss of a great number of Men, without any Impression made upon the Intrenchments, he returned again to the Siege of Limo.

XXII.

BOOK XXII. At the fame time C. Fabius, having brought over many States to their Duty, and confirmed their Submission by receiving Hostages; upon Intelligence fent him by Caninius, of the Posture of Affairs among the Pictones, marched immediately to the Affistance of Duracius. hearing of his Arrival, and concluding himself lost, should he at the same time be obliged to make head against an Enemy without, and sustain the Efforts of the Townsmen within; suddenly decamped with all his Forces, resolving not to stop till he had got . on the other fide of the Loire, which, by reason of its largeness, could not be passed without a Bridge. Fabius, tho' he had neither as yet come within fight of the Enemy, nor joined Forces with Caninius; yet instructed by those who were well acquainted with the Country, eafily conjectured the Rout the Gauls would take. Wherefore directing his March towards the same Bridge, he ordered the Cavalry to keep before the Legions; yet fo, that without too much fatiguing their Horses, they might return and encamp with them again at Night. The Cavalry followed the Enemy as directed; came up with their Rear; and attacking them flying, difmayed, and incumbered with their Baggage; killed great Numbers, gained a confiderable Booty, and returned in triumph to the Camp.

XXIII. THE Night following Fabius fent the Cavalry before, with Orders to engage the Enemy, and keep their whole Army employed, till he himfelf should come up with the Legions. Q. Atius Varus, a prudent and experienced Officer, who had the Charge of the Detachment, desirous to execute the Commands of his General with success, exhorted his Men; and coming up with the Enemy, disposed

posed some Squadrons in the most convenient Places, BOOK and engaged the Gauls with the rost. The Enemy's VIII. Cavalry made a resolute Stand, being supported by their Foot, who halting in a Body, advanced to the Affistance of their own Men. The Conflict was sharp on both sides. For the Romans, despising Enemies whom they had overcome the Day before, and remembering that the Legions were coming up to join them; partly ashamed to give way, partly eager to bring the Battle to a speedy Issue by their own Valour alone, fought with great Bravery against the Enemy's Foot. And the Gauls, who had no Apprehension of the Approach of more Forces, because none other had appeared the Day before, fancied they had now a favourable Opportunity of cutting off our Cavalry. As the Fight continued with great Obstinacy for a considerable time; Dumnacus advanced with the Foot in Battlearray, to fustain the Horse; when suddenly the Legions, marching in close order, appeared within view of the Enemy. This Sight discomposed the Gallick Squadrons, and producing an univerfal Confusion thro' their whole Army, which spread even to the Baggage and Carriages; they with great Uproar and Tumult betook themselves to a precipitate Flight. But our Horse, who a little before had fought against an Enemy that vigorously opposed them; now elated with the Joy of Victory, surrounded them with great Cries, and urged the Slaughter as far as the Strength of their Horses to purfue, and the Vigour of their right Hands to destroy, were able to bear them out. Upwards of twelve thousand perished on this occasion, partly in the Battle, partly in the Purfuit; and the whole Baggage was taken.

BOOK XXIV. AFTER this Rout, Drapes, of the Nation of the Senones (who upon the first Revolt of VIII. Gaul had drawn together a Band of desperate Men; invited Slaves to join him by the hopes of Liberty, affembled all the Fugitives he could find, received even publick Robbers into his Service, and with that profligate Crew intercepted the Roman Convoys and Baggage) having rallied about five thousand of the Runaways, directed his March towards the Province; being joined by Luterius of Quercy, who, as we have feen in the foregoing Book, had attempted an Invasion on that side at the first breaking out of Caninius having notice of this Design, marched in pursuit of them with two Legions, to prevent any Alarm in those Parts, and hinder the Province from falling a Prey to the Ravages of a desperate and needy Crew.

> XXV. Fabrus, with the rest of his Army; marched against the Carnutes, and other States, whose Forces had served under Dumnacus in the late Action: for he made no doubt of finding them humbled by so great a Blow; and was unwilling; by any Delay, to give Dumnacus an Opportunity of roufing them to a continuance of the War. In this Expedition Fabius had all the Success he could defire, the feveral States submitting immediately upon his Approach. For the Carnutes, who tho' often harraffed, had never yet made mention of Peace, now furrendered and gave Hostages: and the other States, inhabiting the more remote Parts of Gauls bordering upon the Ocean, and known by the Name of Armerica, influenced by their Authority, and the Arrival of Fabius and his Legions, readily accepted the Terms he offered them. Dumnacus, expelled his Territories, and forced to wander and hide

hide himself in Airking Holes, at length escaped 500 K into the farthest Parts of Gaul.

XXVI. But Drapes and Luterius, understanding that Caninius was in pursuit of them with the Legions; and fensible, that having an Army at their Heels, they could not without certain Destruction make an Irruption into the Province, nor fafely indulge themselves in the liberty of plundering and ravaging the Country; halted in the Territories of As Luterius, during his Prosperity, the Gadurci. had bore a confiderable Sway in the State, and been always in great Reputation with the Multitude, as the Author of new and enterprising Counsels; he seized upon Uxellodunum, a Town strongly fortify'd by Nature, which had formerly been under his Patronage; and prevailed with the Inhabitants to join his and Drapes's Forces.

XXVII. Cantinus foon arrived before the Place. which he found furrounded on every fide with steep Rocks, so very difficult of Access, that it was hardly possible for armed Troops to ascend them, even where there were no Oppolers. But knowing that there was a vast Quantity of Baggage in the Town, which could not be conveyed away so privately as to escape the Legions, much less the Cavalry, he divided his Army into three Bodies; and encamping on three remarkable Eminences, resolved gradually, and as the Number of his Troops would allow, to carry a Line of Circumvallation quite round the Town. Which the Garrison perceiving, began to dread the Fate of their Countrymen at Mlesia, especially Luterius, who had been present at that formidable Siege, and therefore advised them to lay in store of Corn. Accordingly, they resolved with unanimous Confent, to leave Part of the Forces to defend Vol. II.

BOOK defend the Town; and march out with the left to VIII, fetch Provisions. This Refolution being taken, the following Night Luterius and Drapes, leaving two thousand Men in the Place; marched at the head of all the rest. These, in a few Days, drew together a vast Quantity of Corn in the Tenritories of the Gadures, who partly stood inclined to affist them in their present Exigence; partly were unable to kinder their carrying it off. Sometimes they attacked our Posts by Night, which made Caminia delay the Circumvallation of the Town, searing he would not be able to descend the Line, or man it sufficiently in all Parts.

XXVIII. LUTERIUS and Drapes having got a great Quantity of Com, took up their Quarters about ten Miles from the Town, that they might convey it thither by Degrees. Each chose his particular Part: Drapes stayed behind with Part of the Army to guard the Camp: Luterial fet forward with the Convoy. Having disposed Parties along the Road for the greater Security, he began his March towards the Town about four in the Morning, by narrow Ways thro' the Woods. Sentinels hearing a Noise, and Intelligence being brought by the Scouts of what was a doing, Caninius speedily drew some Cohorts together from the nearest Posts, and fell upon the Convoy about Daybreak; who surprised at so unexpected an Attack, retreated towards their Guard. Our Men perceiving this, fell with redoubled Fury upon the Escort, giving Quarter to none. Luttrius escaped with a few Followers, but returned not to the Camp.

XXIX. Caninius having succeeded in this Action, understood from the Prisoners that Drapes was encamped

encamped about ten Miles off with the rest of the BOOK Army. This being confirmed from many Hands; as he supposed it would be easy to overwhelm them, after the Tetror occasioned by the Defeat of one of their Leaders, he thought it very fortunate, that none of the Fugitives had remeated towards the Camp, to inform Drubes of the Difaster. was sherefore no hazard in the Attempt, he ordered all the Cavalry, with the German Infantry, who were of remarkable Swiftness, to advance before; and having diffributed one Legion into his three Camps, followed shorn with the other without Baggage. he doe'w mear the Enemy, he was informed by his Scouts, whom he had foot before, that the Garls. according to Custom, had pitched their Camp at the foot of a Mountain by a River-fide, and that the German Poot, and Cavalry, coming suddenly and unexpectedly upon them, had begun the Fight. Upon this Intelligence, he brought forward the Legion in order of Battle, and giving the Signal of Onfet, foon possessed himself of the higher Ground. The Germans, and Cavalry, encouraged by the Enfigns of the Legions, redoubled their Efforts. The Cohorts threw themselves in Crowds upon the Enemy, and having either flain or made them all Prifoners, obtained a confiderable Booty. Drapes himfelf was taken in the Battle.

XXX. CANINIUS, after so fortunate an Action, in which scarce any of his Soldiers had been wounded, returned to the Siege of Unellodanum. Having got rid of the Enemy without, who had obliged him to augment his Garrisons, and postpone the Works about the Place, he now resumed them with great Diligence, and was the next Day joined by Fabius and his Forces, who undertook one side of the Town.

XXXI.

XXXI. MEAN-TIME Cafar, leaving M. Antony BOOK VIII. the Questor, with fifteen Cohorts in the Country of the Bellovaci, to prevent any new Infurrections among the Belgians; marched himself into other States, to enjoin Hostages, and allay their Fears. When he arrived among the Carnutes, by whom the War was first begun, as Casar has mentioned in the preceding Book; observing that they in a particular manner dreaded his Resentment, from a consciousness of their Guilt; that he might the sooner free them from their Fears, he defired them to deliver up to Justice Guturvatus, the prime Mover and Incendiary of that War; who, tho' he hid himself even from his own Countrymen, yet being diligently fought after by a whole People, was foon brought to Casar's Camp. Casar, contrary to his natural Clemency, was constrained to give him up to Punishment by his Soldiers, who imputed to Guturvatus all the Losses they had sustained, and all the Dangers they had been exposed to during the War. Accordingly he was scourged and beheaded.

> XXXII. HERE he was informed by frequent Advices from Caminius, of the Defeat of Drapes and Luterius, and the Resolution taken by the Garrison of Uxellodunum. Tho' he despised them on account of the smallness of their Number, he yet thought their Obstinacy deserved the severest Chastisement: that Gaul might not run into a Persuasion, that not Strength but Constancy had been wanting, to enable them to refift the Romans; which might perhaps induce other States, who had the Advantage of strong Towns, to affert their Liberty; it being universally known in Gaul, that only one Year of his Government remained; during which, if they could but hold out, they had no farther Danger to appre

apprehend. Leaving therefore the two Legions he BOOK had then with him to the care of 2. Calenus his VIII. Lieutenant, with Orders to follow him by easy Marches; he himself, at the head of all the Cavalry, hastened to Uxellodunum, to forward the Siege begun by Caninius.

XXXIII. He arrived before the Town, unexpected either by his own Troops, or those of the Enemy; faw the Circumvallation compleated; and that there was no quitting the Siege without Difhonour: but understanding from the Deserters, that the Place was well stored with Provisions, he resolved, if possible, to cut off their Water. Uxellodunum stood upon a steep Rock, surrounded almost on every fide by a very deep Valley, thro' which ran a River. There was no possible way of turning the Course of this Stream; because it flowed by the Foot of the Rock in so low a Channel, that Ditches could not be funk deep enough to receive it. But the Descent was so difficult and steep, that the Townsmen in coming to and returning from it, lay greatly exposed to our Troops, who might wound and kill them at Pleasure. This being known to Cefar, he posted his Archers and Slingers, with some Engines, over-against the Places of easiest Access, and thereby hindered their Approach to the River. This obliged the whole Multitude to water at one Place, close under the Walls of the Town, whence issued a very plentiful Fountain, on the side where the River intermitted its Circuit, and left an Opening of about three hundred Foot. The whole Army were defirous to deprive the Besieged of this Resource; but Casar alone discovered the means of effecting it. He brought forward his Galleries, and began a Terrass over-against the Mountain, with much Danger to the Soldiers, incredible Fatigue,

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BOOK tigue, and a continued Series of Fighting. For the Garrison rushing sumoutly upon us from tha higher Ground, charged without Danger, wounded great Numbers of our Men, as they advanced obitinately to the Combet; yet without deterring them from bringing forward their Machines, and by their Works and Affiduity furmounting the Difficulties of the Ground. At the fame time they carried on their Mines, from the Terrals and Galheries, quite to the Fountain; a kind of Work in which they proceeded without Danger or Sufficion. A Terrals was raifed fixty Foot high, and a Tower of ten Stories placed upon it; not indeed to equal the Height of the Walls, for which no Works were fufficient; but to command the top of the Spring. From this Tower we were continually playing our Engines upon all the Accesses to the Fountain. which made it extremely dangerous to water at the Place; infomuch that not only Cattle and Beafts of Carriage, but great Numbers of People perished by Thirst.

> XXXIV. THE Enemy, terrified at this Difaster, filled several Barrels with Tallow, Pitch, and dry Wood; and having fet them on Fire, rolled them down upon the Works. At the fame time they charged the Romans with great Fury, that the Anxiety and Danger of the Battle might hinder them from extinguishing the Flames. The Conflagration foon became general: for whatever was rolled down from above, being stopped by the Machines and Terrais, communicated the Flame to that Part. But our Solders, tho' engaged in a dangerous kind of Fight, because of the Inequality of the Ground. yet bore all with great Firmness and Resolution. For the Action was in a conspicuous Place, within view of our Army, and great Shouts were raifed on both

both fides. Thus every one was the more ardent BOOK to fignalize himself, and brave the Flames and VIII. Darts of the Enemy, as his Bravery would be better known, and have the Testimony of many Witnesses.

XXXV. CaseAR feeing many of his Soldiers wounded, ordered the Cohorts to afcend the Mountain on all fides, and as if preparing to scale the Walls, raise a mighty Shout. This alarmed the Inhabitants, who not knowing what passed in other Parts, recalled their Troops from the Attack, and disposed them along the Walls. Thus our Men, being relieved from the Battle, foon found means to extinguish or put a stop to the Flames. the Besieged still continued to defend themselves with great Obstinacy, and notwithstanding the loss of the greatest Part of their Number by Thirst, persisted in their first Resolution; Casar at last contrived to drain or avert the Spring by Mines. Upon this the Fountain suddenly becoming dry, so effectually deprived the Besieged of all hopes of Safety, that they imagined it an Event brought about, not by human Counsel, but by the Will of the Gods; and therefore, compelled by Neoeffity, immediately furrendered themselves.

WXXVI. Casar conficious that his Clemency was known to all, and no way fearing that his Severity on this Occasion would be imputed to any Cruelty of Nature; as he perceived there would be no end of the War, if other States in different Parts of Gaul, should in like manner form the Design of a Revolt; resolved, by a fignal Example of Punishment, to deter them from all such Projects. He therefore cut off the Hands of all whom he found in Arms; granting them their Lives, that their g 4

VIII. who, as we have said, had been made Prisoner by Caninius; either out of Indignation at finding himself a Captive, or dreading a severer Fate, put an end to his Life by abstaining from Food. At the same time Luterius, who had escaped out of the Battle, falling into the hands of Epasnattus of Auvergna, (for by continually removing from place to place, he was obliged to confide in many, because he could stay no where long without Danger, and knew the little Reason he had to expect Favour from Casar;) was by him, a great savourer of the Roman People, delivered without hesitation bound to Casar.

XXXVII. In the mean-time Labienus engaged the Cavalry of the Treviri with Success: and having killed a confiderable number on the spot, as likewise many Germans, who were always ready to join against the Romans; made the greatest part of their Chiefs Prisoners; and among the rest Surus the Æduan, a Nobleman of distinguished Birth and Valour, and the only one of that Nation, who had continued until then in Arms. Upon notice of this Victory, Cafar, who faw his Affairs in a flourishing Condition in Gaul, and that his last Campaigns had compleated the subjection of the whole Country; resolved upon a Journey to Aquitain, where he had never yet been in person, though P. Crassus had in part reduced it to his Obedience. He therefore set out for that Country with two Legions, defigning to spend there the rest of the Campaign. This Expedition was attended with the defired Success; for all the States of Aquitain sent Ambassadors to him, and delivered Hostages. He then went with a Guard of Cavalry to Narbonne, and distributed his Army into Winter-quarters under the care of his : 1 2

his Lieutenants. M. Antony, C. Trebonius, P. Va-BOOK timus, and Q. Tullius, were quartered in Belgium VIII. with four Legions. Two were lent into the Country of the Aduans, whom he knew to be the most powerful People in Gaul: two into that of the Turones. bordering upon the Carnutes, to hold the maritime States in awe: and the remaining two were stationed among the Lemovices, not far from Auvergne, that none of the Provinces of Gaul might be destitute of Troops. He remained fome Days at Narbonne. held all the usual Assemblies of the Province, decided the differences substitting among the People, recompensed those who had distinguished themselves by their faithful Services; (for he had a wonderful Faculty of discerning how Men stood affected in the general Revolt of Gaul, which he had been able to fustain, merely by the Fidelity and Assistance of the Province;) and having dispatched all these Affairs, repaired to the Legions in Belgium, and took up his Winter-quarters at Nemetocenna,

of Arras had had an Engagement with his Cavalry. For after the Arrival of Antony in his Winter-quarters; as the Asrebatians, awed by his presence, continued in their Duty to Casar: Comius, who ever since the Wound above-mentioned had kept a watchful Eye upon all the Motions of his Countrymen, that in case of a War, he might be ready to offer them his Counsel and Assistance; finding that the State now submitted quietly to the Romans, applied his Troops to support himself and his Followers by Plunder; and often carried off the Convoys that were going to the Roman Winter-quarters.

XXXIX. Among those who commanded under Antony in his Winter-quarters was C. Volusenus Quadratus.

BOOK drayer, an Officer of the first Rank among this Horse. Him Antony Sept in partial of the Enemy's Cavalry. Volusemis, to his natural Bravery, which be possessed in an oppingnt deprec, added a particula lar hatred of Gentius, which induced him the more readily to accept of this Commission. Accordingly, having planted his Ambufcades, he found means frequently to engage the Enemy, and always came off victorious. At last, a very warm Dispute enfuing: and Volulenas, there' an eager defire of making Comius Prisoner, urging the Chace with only a few Attendants; while Comiss, by a hafty Retreat, drew him a confidenable way from his Party: fuddenly the latter, invoking the Affiftance of his Followers, called upon them to revenge the Wound he had treacherquily received from the Romens; and turning thert upon our Detachment, advanced without Precaution towards Valulenus. All his Cavalry did the fame, and food put our small Party to flight. Comius clapping fours to his Horfe, ran furiously against Quadratus, and drove his Lance thro' his Thigh. Our Men feeing their Commander wounded, instantly faced about, and forced the Enemy to give ground. In this last Attack, the Gauls, after a confiderable Slaughter, were entirely routed by the vigorous Charge of our Caralry. Some were troden to death in the Pursuit, others made Prisoners; but Coming escaped by the swiftness of his Horfe. Velulenus being dangerough wounded, almost beyond hope of recovery, was carried back to the Camp. Comius, either fatisfied with the Revenge he had taken, or apprehensive be must at last be ruined, as he continually lost some of his Men; fent a Deputation to Astron, offering to retire wherever he should order him, to submit to whatever should be imposed on him, and to give Hoffages for the performance of these Conditions: he he only requested, that so much regard might be BOOK shewn to his just Fears, as not to have it insisted on VIII. that he should appear before any Raman. Autory, conscious that his Apprehensions were but too well grounded, excused him, took Hostages, and granted him Peace.

CESAR, I know, assigns a distinct Book to each of his several Campaigns. But I have not judged it necessary to pursue this Method; because the ensuing Year, under the Consulship of L. Paulus, and C. Marcellus, furnishes nothing memorable transacted in Gaul. However, that none may be ignorant where Casar and his Army were during this time, I have subjoined a short account to the present Commentary.

XL. CABSAR, during the time of his Winterquarters in Belgium, made it his whole study to ingratiate himself with the Gauls, and deprive them of all Pretence or Colour for a Revolt. was nothing he more earnestly defired, than to leave Gaul peaceably disposed at his departure; lest, when he was about to withdraw his Army, any sparks of Rebellion should remain, which would infallibly rekindle into a War, were the Roman Troops once Wherefore, by treating the feveral States with respect, liberally rewarding their Chiefs, and abstaining from the Impolition of new Burdens, he tally prevailed with the Gauls, wearied and exhausted by long unsuccessful Wars, to embrace the ease and quiet attendant on their present Submisfion.

XLI. THE Winter being over, contrary to his Custom, he posted by great Journeys into Italy, to visit the municipal Towns and Colonies of Cisalpine Gaul,

BOOK Gaul, and engage their Interest in favour of M. VIII. Antony his Questor, who was then a Candidate for the Priesthood. He the more warmly interested himself in this Affair, not only as it was in behalf of a Man united to him by the strictest ties of Friendship, but as it likewise gave him an Opportunity of opposing a small Faction, who aimed to diminish Casar's Credit by repulsing Antony. Altho he heard upon the Road, before he reached Italy; that Antony had been made Augur; he still thought it incumbent upon him to visit the municipal Towns and Colonies of the Province, in order to thank them for the Zeal they had shown in behalf of his Friend, and to recommend them his own Petition for the Consulship of the ensuing Year. For his Enemies every where boasted, that L. Lentulus and C. Marcellus had been chosen Consuls, in the view of despoiling him of all his Honours and Dignities; and that Sergius Galba had been excluded, tho much the strongest in the number of Votes, because of his known Intimacy with Cafar, and having ferved under him as Lieutenant.

XLII. He was received every where with incredible Honours, and the warmest Testimonies of the People's Assection. For this was the first time he had appeared among them since the total reduction of Gaul. Nothing was omitted that could contribute to the ornament of the Gates, Ways, and Places thro' which he was to pass. The People with their Children came out to meet him: Sacrifices were offered in all Parts: Tables richly spread were placed in the publick Squares and Temples: and so great was the Magnisicence displayed by the rich, such the eagerness of the poor to express their Satisfaction, that every thing were the face of a most splendid Triumph.

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XLIII. CESAR having visited the several Pro-BOOK vinces of Gisalpine Gaul, returned in all haste to the VIII. Army at Nemetocenna; and ordering the Legions to quit their Winter-quarters, and rendezvous in the Territories of the Treviri, went thither and reviewed them in person. He gave the Government of Cisalpine Gaul to Labienus, the better to reconcile him to his demand of the Confulship; and marched the Army from place to place, that by the motion and change of Air, he might prevent any Sicke ness getting among the Troops. Altho' he often heard, that Labienus was strongly solicited by his Enemies; and was for certain informed, that some were labouring, by means of the Senate's Authority. to deprive him of part of his Army: yet neither did he credit any Reports to Labienus's disadvantage; nor could be induced to fet himself in opposition to the Authority of the Senate. For he made no doubt of obtaining his demand by the free Suffrages of the Fathers: and the rather, because C. Curio, Tribune of the People, having undertaken the defence of Cælar's Cause and Dignity, had often proposed in the Senate: " That if Colar's Army gave " umbrage to any, as Pompey was no less formi-" dable to the true Friends of Liberty, both should " be ordered to difmiss their Troops, and return to " a private Condition, which would entirely free " the Common-wealth from all apprehensions of "Danger." Nor did he only propose this, but even began to put it to the Vote. But the Confuis and Pompey's Friends interposed, which hindered the Senate from coming to any Resolution.

XLIV. This was an authentick Testimony from the whole Senate, and agreeable to what had passed on a former Occasion. For when Marcellus, who

BOOK who strove to render himself considerable by oppositions. In Cosar, had proposed the Year before, contrary to the Law of Pumpy and Crassar, to read Costar before his Commission was expired, the Overture was rejected by a very full Hoose. But this, instead of discouraging Cosar's Enemies, only pushed them on to new Attempts, that they might at length being the Senate into their Measures.

XLV. A Senatufomsidam soon after passed, that one Legion from Pompey, and another from Cafar. should be fent to the Parthian War. But it was visibly their Design to take both Legions from Cafor alone. For Pompey offered the Aust Legion for that service, which he had lent some time before to Cafar, having raised it in his Province. But Cufar. though now fully fatished of the ill Deligns of his Enemies, readily fent back Pompey's Legion; and in compliance with the Decree of the Senate, ordered the fifteenth, one of his own Number, which was then in hither Gaul, to be delivered to their Commissioners; and sent the thirteenth into Italy to replace it, and supply the Gatrisons whence it had been drawn. He then put his Army into Winter-C. Trebonius, with four Legions, was ordered into the Country of the Belgians; and C. Fabine, with the like number, was placed among the Adams. For thus he thought Gaul was most likely to be kept in fullyection; if the Belge, the anost renowned for their Valour, and the Eduant, the most considerable for their Authority, were awed by the prefence of two Armies.

XLVI. AFTER this he returned into Italy, where he understood, that the two Legions he had fent, in conformity to the Decree of the Senate, to be employed.

employed in the Parthian War, had been delivered BOOK by the Conful Marcellus to Pompey, and were by him fill detained in Italy. Although by this it was abundantly evident, that they were preparing to take up Arms against him; he yet resolved to suffer every thing, while any hope remained of adjusting their Differences by the methods of Peace, rather than those of Violence and War.

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C. JULIUS CÆSAR's

COMMENTARIES

OF THE

CIVIL WAR.

BOOK I.

THE ARGUMENT.

States declare for bim. LV. Afranius and Petreius remove towards Celtiberia. LVI. Cæfar pursues them with his Cavalry. LVII. Then drawing out the Legions, continues to urge them in their Retreat, LXIV. He cuts off their Provisions. LXVI. Afranius and Petreius's Men talk with Cæsar's about a Surrender. LXVII. Petreius interrupts the Conference. LXVIII. And obliges the Soldiers to take an Oath of Fidelity to their Generals. LXX. Who finding both their Provisions and Forage intercepted, resolve to return to Lerida. LXXI. Cæsar follows and greatly molests them in their March. LXXIII. At length Water. Forage, and every thing failing them, they are forced to sue for Peace, and accept of Cæsar's Terms.

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DIONYSIUS VOSSIUS,

TO

CÆSAR's First Book of the CIVIL WAR

Think it needless to say any thing here, in opposition to those who pretend, that the following Commentaries concerning the Civil War. were not penned by Cafar himself. We have not only the express Testimony of Suetonius to the contrary, but the very Stile sufficiently declares, that Cafar alone could be the Author of the Work. There is room however to suspect, from the abrupt manner in which the Subject is introduced, that the beginning of this first Book is wanting: for History takes notice of feveral previous Facts, of which no mention is made here. I have therefore collected out of Plutarch, Appian, and Dion, as much as was necesfary to connect this and the former Commentary, and fancy it will not be disagreeable to the Reader, to offer it here by way of Preface.

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GAUL

GAUL being wholly reduced, Cafar, upon his Arrival in Lombardy, thought proper for many Reafons to fend Deputies to Rome, to demand the Confulship, and a prolongation of his Command. Pompey, who tho' averse to Casar's Interest, had not yet openly declared against him, neither furthered nor opposed this Request. But the Confuls Marcellus and Lentalus, who had already joined the Party of his Enemies, resolved by every method in their power to frustrate the Design. Marcellus scrupled not to add other Injuries to that of which we speak. For Casar had lately planted a Colony at Novocomut in Cifalpine Gaul; and Marcellus, not fatisfied with stripping the Inhabitants of the Privilege of Roman Citizens, seized one of their chief Magistrates at Rome, ordered him to be scourged, and then dismissed him to carry his Complaints to Casar: an Ignominy from which all free Citizens were expresly exempted by the Laws. While Affairs were in this train, C. Curio, Tribune of the People, came to Cafar in Gaul. This Nobleman, after many Attempts in behalf of the Commonwealth, and to promote Cafar's Interest; finding at length all his Endeavours without effect, fled from Rome to avoid the Malice of his Enemies, and informed Cafar of all that was transacting against him. Cafar received him with great marks of Respect, as well on account of his Rank in the Commonwealth, as the many Services he had done himself and the State; and thanked him for the fignal Zeal he had shown in his Cause. But Curio advised him, since his Enemies were now openly preparing for War, to draw his Army together without delay, and rescue the Commonwealth from the tyranny of an afpiring Cafar, tho' fully fatisfied of the truth of Curio's Report, resolved to facrifice all other Confiderations

siderations to the publick Tranquillity, that no Man might justly charge him with being the Author of a civil War. He therefore only petitioned by his Friends, that the Government of Cifalpine Gaul and Myricum, with the Command of two Legions, might be continued to him: in all which his principal Aim was, by the equity of his Demands, to induce his Enemies to grant Peace to the Commonwealth. These Offers appeared so reasonable, that even Pompey himself knew not how to oppose them. But the Consuls still continuing inflexible, Gasar wrote a Letter to the Senate; wherein, after briefly enumerating his Exploits and Services, he requested them not to deprive him of the Benefit of the People's Favour, who had permitted him to fue for the Confulship in his absence. He protested his readiness, if such was the Resolution of the Senate and People of Rome, to dismiss his Army, provided Pompey did the same: but could by no means refolve, so long as he continued in Command and Authority, to divest himself of Troops, and lay himself open to the Injuries of his Enemies. Curio was commissioned to carry this Letter; who travelling with incredible dispatch, reached Rome in three Days (a distance of an hundred and sixty Miles,) before the beginning of January, and ere the Confuls could get any thing determined relating to Casar's Command. Curio, upon his Arrival, refused to part with the Letter, resolving not to deliver it but in full Senate, and when the Tribunes of the People were present: for he was apprehenlive, should he do otherwise, that the Consuls would suppress it.

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C. JULIUS CÆSAR's

COMMENTARIES

OF THE

CIVIL WAR.

BOOK I.

ÆSAR's Letter being delivered to the Consuls, the Tribunes with much difficulty procured it a reading in the Senate, but could by no means prevail to have his Demands brought under deliberation. The Confuls proposed to debate upon the state of the Republick. "Lentulus promised to stand by 56 the Senate and People, if they would deliver " their Sentiments with Freedom and Courage: but if they regarded Cafar, and affected to court his Friendship, as had been the practice for some time past, he knew, he told them, what he had 46 to do, and was determined to disclaim their Austhority; not doubting but he would find a ready 44 Admittance to the Favour and Protection of 66 Casar." Scipio spoke much to the same purBOOK pose: " That Pompey was firmly bent not to aban-"don the Republick, if he found the Senators ready to support him: but if they cooled, or " were remiss in their Resolves, it would be in " vain for them to expect his Aid, if they faw " cattle afterwards to apply for it." This Speech of Scipio, as the Senate was held in the City, and Pompey resided in the Suburbs, was considered as coming from Pompey's own Mouth. Some were for following milder Couniels, of which number was M. Marcellus, who gave it as his Opinion: "That it was not proper to enter upon the present Deliberation, 'till Troops were raifed over all Italy, " and an Army got ready, under whose Protection "the Senate might proceed with freedom and fafety in their Debates. Callidius was for fending Pome pey to his Government, to take away all occa-" fion of Discord; because Casar had reason to " fear, as two of his Legions had been taken from him, that Pompey retained them in the neighbour-" hand of Rome, with a view to employ them " against him." M. Rufus nearly agreed in opimion with Gallidius. But they were all severely reprimanded by the Conful Lientulus, who exprelly refuled to put Callidius's Mosion to the vote. Mancelhe awed by the Conful's Reprimand, retracted what he had faid. Thus the Clamouts of Lemulas. the dread of an Army at the Gates of Rome, and the Monacos of Pompey's Friends, forced the greater part of the Senate, the' with the utmost Reluctance and Dislike, into a Compliance with Scipio's Motion: "That Cafar should be ordered to dis-" band his Army before a certain Day then fixed 3 44 and that, in case of Disabeliance, he should be " declared an Enemy to the Republick," M. Antenius and Q. Cassius, Tribunes of the People, opposed their Negative to this Decree. Immediately a Debate

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a Debate groß upon the validity of their Interpo-BOOK fition. Many severe Speeches were made against them; and the more warm and passionate any one appeared, the more was he applanded by Casar's Enemies.

II. In the Evening the Senate role; and Pompey sending for all those of his Party, commended the forward; confirmed them in their Resolutions; reproved and animated the more moderate. Multitudes of Veterans, who had formerly served under him. flocked to him from all parts, allured by the expectation of Rewards and Dignities. A great number of Officers belonging to the two Legions lately returned by Cafar, had dikewife Orders to attend him. Rome was filled with Troops. Curio affembled the Tribunes to support the Decree of the People. On the other hand, all the Friends of the Confuls, all the Partizans of Pompey, and of such as bore any ancient grudge to Cafar, repaired to the Senate: by whose Concourse and Votes the weaker fort were terrified, the irrefolute confirmed, and the greater part deprived of the liberty of speaking their mind freely. L. Pifo the Cenfor, and L. Roscius the Prætor, offered to go and acquaint Cafar with the state of Affairs, demanding only fix Days for that purpose. Some were for sending Deputies to him, to inform him of the Senate's Disposition.

III. Bur all these Proposals were rejected, because the Consul, Scipio, and Cato, declared against them. Cato was incited by the remembrance of an old Quarrel, and the disappointment he had sustained in standing Candidate for the Prætorship with Cæsar. Lentulus was oppressed with Debt, and slattered himself with the Command of Armies, the Government of Provinces, and the Largesses of

BOOK the Kings for whom he should procure the title of Allies and Friends of the Roman People. besides wont to boast among those of his own Party, that he doubted not of becoming a fecond Sylla, in whom the whole Authority of the Commonwealth should center. Scipio entertained the same hope of Commands and Governments, which he expected to share with his Son-in-law Pompey: add to this his dread of a Profecution; his Vanity and Self-conceit: and the Flatteries and Applauses of his Friends, who at that time bore a confiderable fway in the Commonwealth and Courts of Justice. Pompey himself, instigated by Casar's Enemies, and not able to endure an Equal in dignity, was now entirely alienated from him, and had joined with their common Adversaries, most of whom Casar had contracted during his Affinity with Pompey. Beside, the fraudulent Step he had taken, in detaining for the Purposes of his own Ambition, the two Legions destined to serve in Asia and Syria, determined him to use all his Endeavours to bring on a civil War.

IV. Thus nothing but Tumult and Violence was to be feen in the publick Debates. Cafar's Friends had no time given them to inform him of what passed. Even the Tribunes themselves were not exempt from Danger, nor durst they have recourse to that right of Intercession, which Sylla had left them as the last Bulwark of Liberty: insomuch that the seventh Day after entering upon their Office, they saw themselves obliged to provide for their Salety: whereas in former times, the most turbulent and seditious Tribunes never began to apprehend themselves in Danger, 'till towards the eighth Month of their Administration. Recourse was had to that rigid and ultimate Decree, which

was never used but in the greatest Extremities, when BOOK the City was threatened with Ruin and Conflagration: "That the Confuls, the Prætors, the Tribunes of the People, and the Proconfuls that were near " Rome, should take care that the Commonwealth " received no Detriment." This Decree passed the feventh of January; so that during the five first Days in which it was permitted the Senate to affemble, after Lentulus's Entrance upon the Confulship (for two Days are always appropriated to the holding of the Comitia) the most severe and rigorous Resolutions were taken, both in relation to Casar's Government, and the Tribunes of the People, Men of eminent Worth and Dignity. The Tribunes immediately quitted the City, and fled to Cafar, who was then at Ravenna, waiting an Answer to his late Demands, whose Equity he hoped would dispose all Parties to entertain Thoughts of Peace.

V. THE following Days the Senate affembled without the City, where Pompey confirmed every thing he had before intimated by the Mouth of Scipio. He applauded the Resolution and Courage of the Senators, acquainted them with the State of his Forces, that he had ten Legions already in Arms, and was besides well informed, that Casar's Troops were by no means satisfied with their General, nay had even refused to support and follow It was then proposed in the Senate, that Troops should be raised over all Italy; that Faustus Sylla should be fent Proprætor into Mauritania; that Pompey should be supplied with Money out of the publick Treasury; and that King Juba should be declared Friend and Ally of the People of Rome: but Marcellus opposed the last of these; and Philippus, Tribune of the People, would not agree to the Proprætorship of Sylla. The other Motions Mctc

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BOOK were approved by the Senate. The Affair of the Provinces was next decided: two of which were Consular, the rest Prætorian. Syria sell to the share of Scipio; and Gaul fell to L. Domitius. and Marcellus were set aside, thro' the private views of the prevailing Party. The rest of the Provinces were affigned to Men of Prætorian Rank; who waited not to have their Nomination confirmed by the People, as had been the Custom in former Years; but after taking the usual Oath, departed for their feveral Commands in a military Habit. The Consuls left the City, a thing unheard of 'till that time; and Lictors were feen walking before private Men in the Forum and Capitol, contrary to the express Practice of former Ages. Troops were levied over all Italy; Arms enjoined; Money demanded of the Colonies and free Towns, and even taken from the very Temples: in fine, neither divine nor human Rights were regarded.

> VI. CÆSAR having Intelligence of these Proceedings, addressed himself to his Troops: "He took notice of the many Injuries he had received on all Occasions from his Enemies, who had 44 alienated Pompey from him, by filling him with " an Envy and Jealousy of his Reputation, tho' he 46 had done every thing in his Power to promote his Glory, and favour his Advancement to the 44 highest Dignities. He complained of the new 44 Precedent introduced into the Commonwealth, in checking and hindering by Arms the Opposition of the Tribunes, which of late Years had been reftored to its wonted Force. That Sylla, who had almost annihilated the Tribuneship, had 46 yet left it the liberty of Opposition; whereas Pompey, who valued himself upon the Re-establishment of that Office, deprived it now of a " Privilege

" Privilege is had always enjoyed. That the Do-BOOK " cree empining the Magistrates to provide for the 54 Safety of the Commonwealth, which implied an 44 Order to the Roman People to repair to Arms, 14 was never work to be used but an occasion of " dangerous Laws, Inditions Measures pursued by " the Tribunes, or a general Secusion of the Peo-" ple, when they possessed themselves of the Temof plea and Places of Strength: Crimes, which in ca former Ages had been expiated by the Fate of saturning and the Gracchi. That at prefent nose thing of this kind had been attempted, nor fo " much as thought of; no Law promulged, no "Endeavours used to seduce the People, no Ap-" pearance of Revolt or Difaffection. He therefore conjured them to defend against the Malice of his Enemies, the Honour and Reputation of " a General, under whom they had ferved nine "Years with so much Advantage to the Commonwealth, gained fo many Battles, and subduted all "Gaul and Germany." The Soldiers of the thirteenth Legion, who were present, and whom he had fent for in the beginning of the Troubles, (the rest not being yet arrived,) cried out, that they were determined to maintain the Honour of their General, and to revenge the Wrongs done to the Tribunes.

VII. Being affured of the Good-will of the Soldiers, he marched with that Legion to Rimini, where he was met by the Tribunes of the People, who had fled to him for Protection. He ordered the other Legions to quit their Winter-quarters, and follow him with all expedition. While he was at Rimini, young L. Cefar, whose Father was one of his Lieutenants, came to him; and after acquainting him with the Occasion of his Journey, added,

Pompey, "who was desirous of clearing himself to "Cesar, that he might not interpret those Actions as designed to affront him, which had no other "Aim but the Good of the Commonwealth: That it had been his constant Maxim, to prefer the Interest of the Republick to any private Engagement: That it was worthy of Cesar, to facrifice his Passion and Resentment to the same noble "Motive; and not prejudice the Commonwealth, by pushing too far his Revenge against his private Enemies." He added something more to the same Purpose, mingled with Excuses for Pompey. The Prætor Roscies joined likewise in the Negotiation, declaring he was commissioned so to do.

VIII. Tho' all this tended little to redress the Injuries of which Cafar complained: yet confidering these as proper Persons by whom to transmit his Thoughts; he begged of them, that as they had not scrupled to bring Pompey's Demands to him, they would likewise carry back his Proposals to Pempey; that, if possible, so small a Labour might put an end to mighty Differences, and deliver all Italy from the Fear of a civil War. He told them: That the Interest of the Commonwealth had always been dearer to him than Life; but he could not help grieving at the Malice of his Enemies; who had frustrated the good Intentions of the ⁵⁶ Roman People in his Favour, by cutting off fix " Months from his Command, and obliging him "to return to Rome to sue for the Consulship, tho" es a Law had been made dispensing with his per-" fonal Attendance: That he had yet, for the fake " of the Commonwealth, patiently submitted to this Affault upon his Honour: That even his "Proposal of disbanding the Armies on both sides." which

the which he had made by a Letter to the Senate, BOOK had been rejected: That new Levies were mak-" ing over all Italy: That two Legions, which had " been taken from him under pretence of the Par-" thian War, were still retained in the service of " his Enemies: That the whole State was in Arms. " What could all this aim at but his Destruction? "That nevertheless he was ready to agree to any 16 Proposal, and expose himself to any Danger for " the fake of his Country. Let Pompey go to his "Government: let all the Armies be disbanded: " let every body throughout Italy lay down their 44 Arms: let every thing that participates of Ter-" ror and Force be removed: let the Elections of Magistrates be made with perfect Freedom; and " let the Republick be administred by the Authority " of the Senate and People. And the better to " fettle all these Articles, and corroborate them " with the fanction of an Oath, let either Pompey " himself draw nearer, or suffer Casar to approach " him; as all their Differences may be most easily " terminated by a Conference."

IX. Roscius and L. Cæsar, having received this Answer, departed for Capua, where they found Pompey and the Consuls, and laid before them Cæsar's Proposals. After deliberating upon the Affair, they sent a Reply in Writing by the same Messengers, the Purport of which was:

"That Cæsar should quit Rimini, return to Gaul,
"and disband his Army; which Conditions performed, Pompey would go into Spain. In the
"mean-time, 'till Cæsar gave security for the per"formance of what he had promised, neither
"Pompey nor the Consuls would discontinue the
"Levies."

BOOK X. It was by no means a fair Proposal, that Cesar should be obliged to quit Rimini, and return to Gaul: while Pompey held Provinces and Legions that were none of his: that he should dismiss his Army; whilst the other was levying Troops: and that only a general Promise of going into Spain should be given, without fixing a Day for his departure: by which Evasion, was he to be found in Italy, even at the expiration of Casar's Consulship, he could not yet be charged with breach of Faith. His forbearing too to appoint a time for a Conference, and declining to approach nearer, gave little reason to hope for a Peace. He therefore sent Antens to Arretium with five Cohorts; remained himself at Rimini with two, where he resolved to levy Troops; and feizing Pisaurum, Fanum, and Ancona, left a Cohort in each for a Garrison.

> XI. MEAN-TIME being informed, that Thermus the Prætor had entered Iguvium with five Cohorts, and was endeavouring to fortify the Town; as he knew the Inhabitants to be well inclined to his Interest, he detached Curio thither with three Cohorts. drawn from Pisaurum and Rimini. Upon this Thermus, who could not confide in the Townsmen, retired with his Cohorts, and quitted the Place: but his Troops abandoning him in their March, returned severally to their own Homes. Curio was received into the Place with great demonstrations of Ioy: which being reported to Cafar, as he found he had the Good-will of the Colonies and free Towns, he drew the Cohorts of the thirteenth Legion out of Garrison, and marched to Auximum, which Attius held with a Body of Troops, and whence he had dispatched Senators to levy Forces over all Picenum. Cafar's Arrival being known, the chief Citizens of Auximum

Auximum went in a Body to Attius Varus, and told BOOK him: " That it did not belong to them to deter-" mine on which fide Justice lay; but that neither they, nor the other municipal Towns could endure to see their Gates shut against Cæsar, who by his great Actions had deferved so well of the Commonwealth: That therefore he would do well to confult his own Safety and Reputation." Attius, moved by this Speech, drew off his Garrison and fled. But some of Casar's first Ranks pursuing him, obliged him to stop; and a Battle Some of " enfuing, he was deferted by his Men. the Troops returned home; the rest went over to Cafar, and brought along with them L. Pupius, first Centurion of the Legion, who had formerly held the same Rank in Pompey's Army. Casar commended Attius's Soldiers; dismissed Pupius; returned thanks to the Inhabitants of Auximum; and promised to retain always a grateful remembrance of their Attachment.

XII. These things being reported at Rome, the Confternation was so great over the whole City, that when the Conful Lentulus came to the Treasury to deliver out the Money to Pompey, in confequence of the Decree of the Senate, he scarce waited the opening of the inner Door, but precipitately left the Place, upon a false Rumour that Casar was approaching, and some of his Cavalry already in view. He was foon followed by his Collegue Marcellus, and the greater part of the Magistrates. Pompey had left the Town the Day before, and was upon his way to Apulia, where he had quartered the Legions he had received from Cafar. vies were discontinued within the City, and no place appeared secure on this side Capua. Here at last they took Courage and rallied, and began to renew BOOK their Levies in the Colonies round about, which had been fent thither by the Julian Law. Lentulus fummoned into the Forum the Gladiators whom Cafar had ordered to be trained up there, gave them their Liberty, furnished them with Horses, and commanded them to follow him. But being afterwards admonished by his Friends that this Step was universally condemned, he dispersed them into the neighbouring Towns of Campania, to keep garrison there.

XIII. CÆSAR mean-while leaving Auximum, traversed the whole Country of Picenum; where he was joyfully received in all parts by the Inhabitants, who furnished his Army with every thing necessary. Even Cingulum itself, a Town founded by Labienus, and built at his own expence, fent Deputies to him with an offer of their Submission and Services. He demanded a certain number of Soldiers, which were fent immediately. Mean-time the twelfth Legion joined him; and with these two he marched to Asculum, a Town of Picenum. Here Lentulus Spinther commanded with ten Cohorts; who hearing of Cafar's Approach, quitted the Place with his Troops, who almost all deserted him upon the March. Being left with only a few, he fell in with Vibullius Rufus, whom Pompey had fent into Picenum, to encourage his Followers in those Parts. Vibullius understanding from him the state of Affairs in Picenum, dismissed Lentulus, and took the Soldiers under his Command. He likewise drew together from the neighbouring Provinces as many as he could meet with of Pompey's Levies; among the rest Ulcilles Hirus, who was flying with fix Cohorts from Camerinum, where they had been quartered. Out of all these he formed thirteen Cohorts, with which he posted by great Journeys to Corfinium, where Domitius mitius Abenobarbus commanded; whom he informed BOOK that Casar was approaching with two Legions. Domitius had already got together with great expedition twenty Cohorts from Alba, the Country of the Marsi, Peligni, and the neighbouring Provinces.

XIV. CÆSAR having made himself master of Asculum, and obliged Lentulus to retire, ordered the Soldiers who had deserted him to be sought after, and new Levies to be made. He remained only one Day there, to settle what related to Provisions, and then pursued his March to Corsinium. Upon his Arrival there, he found five Cohorts, whom Domitius had detached from the Garrison, employed in breaking down a Bridge about three Miles distant from the Town. But Cæsar's advanced Parties attacking them, they quickly abandoned the Bridge, and retired to Corsinium. Cæsar having passed with his Legions, halted before the Town, and encamped under the Walls.

XV. Upon this Domitius engaged by great Rewards Persons well acquainted with the Country, to carry Letters into Apulia to Pompey, wherein he earnestly requested him to come to his Aid. told him, " That it would be easy, in that close "Country, to shut up Casar between two Armies, " and cut off his Provisions: That unless this "Course was followed, he himself, with above "thirty Cohorts, and a great number of Senators " and Roman Knights, would be exposed to imminent danger." Mean-while having encouraged his Men, he disposed Engines along the Walls, appointed every one his particular Post, and the more to animate them, promifed each Soldier four Acres of Land out of his own Estate, and in proportion to every Centurion and Volunteer.

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BOOK XVI. MEAN-TIME Cafar was informed that the People of Sulmona, a Town seven Miles distant from Corfinium, desired to put themselves under his Protection, but were restrained by Q. Lucretius a Senator, and Attius a Pelignian, who held them in subjection with a Garrison of seven Cohorts. He therefore dispatched M. Antony thither, with five Cohorts of the seventh Legion, whose Ensigns were no fooner descried from the Walls of Sulmona, than the Gates were thrown open, and the whole People in a Body, both Soldiers and Townsmen, came out to congratulate Antony on his Arrival. Lucretius and Attius endeavoured to escape over the Wall: but Attius being taken, and brought to Antony, requested that he might be sent to Casar. Antony returned the same Day, bringing along with him the Cohorts and Attius. Casar joined these Cohorts to his Army, and fet Attius at liberty.

XVII. CESAR resolved to employ the three first Days in strongly fortifying his Camp, in procuring Corn from the neighbouring Towns, and waiting the Arrival of the rest of his Forces. During this space the eighth Legion joined him, with two and twenty Cohorts of new Levies from Gaul, and about three hundred Horse from the King of Noricum. This obliged him to form a second Camp on the other side of the Town, under the Command of Curio. The remaining Days were spent in drawing a Line with Redoubts round the Place, which Work was nearly compleated when the Messengers that had been sent to Pompey returned.

XVIII. DOMITIUS perufing the Disparches, thought proper to dissemble the Contents, and declared

clared in Council, that Pompey would speedily come BOOK to their Affistance. Mean-time he exhorted them to behave with Courage, and provide every thing necessary for a vigorous Defence. He conferred however privately with a few of his most intimate Friends, and in concert with them determined upon But as his Looks and Speech were found to difagree; as he behaved not with his usual Composure and Firmness; and was observed, contrary to Custom, to be much in secret Conserence with. his Friends; avoiding publick Appearances, and Councils of War: it was not possible for the Truth to remain any longer concealed. For Pompey had wrote back; "That he could not put all to hazard, " for his fake; that he had neither advised nor con-" fented to his shutting himself up in Corfinium; " that he must therefore endeavour to extricate " himself as well as he could, and come and join " him with all his Forces." But as Cafar had invested and carried his Lines round the Place, this Retreat was now become impracticable.

XIX. Domitius's Defign being discovered, the Soldiers, who were at Corfinium, began to affemble in the Evening, and by means of their Tribunes, Centurions, and other Officers, made known their Thoughts to one another: " That they were be-" fieged by Cafar, who had already in a manner " compleated his Works: That their General Domi-" tius, in whose promises of Assistance they had " placed their chief Hope, abandoning all Concern " for their Safety, was contriving to escape private-" ly by Flight: That it was therefore incumbent up-" on them to look also to their own Preservation." The Marsi at first opposed this Resolution, and possessed themselves of the strongest part of the Town; nay the Dispute was so warm, that it almost.

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I. after, being made acquainted with Domitius's intended Flight, of which before they had no knowledge; they all in a Body furrounded Domitius, fecured his Person, and sent Deputies to Casar: "That they were ready to open their Gates, receive his Orders, and deliver up Domitius alive."

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XX. Though Cafar was fully sensible of how great Importance it was to get possession of the Town immediately, and join the Garrison to his own Army; left by Largeffes, Promifes of speedy Relief, or false Reports, any Change should be produced; as in War great Revolutions often arise from very trifling Causes: yet fearing that if he in-. troduced his Soldiers in the dark, they would take that Opportunity to plunder the Town, he fent. back the Deputies with thanks for their proffer, refolving to have the Walls and Gates watched with great care. To that end he disposed his Men along. the Works, not at certain distances as usual, but in one continued Rank, fo as to touch each other, and compleatly invest the Town. He ordered the military Tribunes, and Officers of the Cavalry, to patrol aboutthe Works, and not only be on their guard against Sallies, but even take care to prevent the escape of particular Persons. And indeed so alert and vigilant were the Soldiers, that not a Man closed his Eyes that Night; each expecting the Event with impatience, and carrying his Thoughts from one. thing to another; what would be the Fate of the Corfinians, what of Domitius, what of Lentulus and. the other illustrious Persons in the Place: in fine, what was like to be the iffue of so complicated a. Scene.

XXI. ABOUT the fourth Watch of the Night, BOOK Lentulus Spintber called from the Wall to the Guard, and defired to be conducted to Cafar. His Request being granted, he came out of the Town, attended by fome of Domitius's Soldiers, who never left him till they had conducted him into Casar's "He begged him to spare his Life, and " pardon the Injuries he had done him, in confideration of their former Friendship. He owned: " the many obligations he had laid him under, in " procuring him an Admission into the College of "Priests, obtaining for him the Government of " Spain after the expiration of the Prætorship, and " fupporting him in the demand of the Confulship." Cæfar interrupted him by faying, "That he was not come out of the Bounds of his Province. " with an intent to injure any body; but to repel the Injuries done him by his Enemies; to re-" venge the Wrongs of the Tribunes; and to re-" store to the Roman People, who were oppressed by a small Faction of the Nobles, their Liberty " and Privileges." Lentulus encouraged by this Speech, asked leave to return into the Town, " where, he faid, the Assurances he had obtained of 66 his own Safety, would contribute not a little to " the confolation of others, some of whom were 56 fo terrified, that they were ready to take despe-" rate Resolutions." Leave being granted, he departed for the Town,

XXII. As soon as it was light, Cæsar ordered before him all the Senators, Senator's Sons, military Tribunes, and Roman Knights. There were of Senatorian Rank, L. Domitius, P. Lentulus Spinther, L. Vibullius Rusus, Sextus Quintilius Varus Questor, L. Rubrius; also Domitius's Son, and many

BOOK many young Men of Quality, with a great number of Roman Knights, and some Decurions, or Senators of the neighbouring municipal Towns, who had been fent for by Domitius. As foon as they appeared, he gave Orders to secure them from the Infults of the Soldiery; and addressing them in few Words, remonstrated: "That they had " made a very ill Requital for the many fignal Ser-" vices received at his hands:" after which he let them at liberty. He likewise restored to Demitius fix millions of Sesterces, which that General had brought with him to Corfinium, and deposited in the hands of the two Treasurers of the Town, who furrendered it to Casar. As this was publick Money, affigned by Pompey to pay the Forces with, Cefer might justly have seized it; but he was willing to shew himself generous, as well as merciful. He ordered Domitius's Soldiers to take the usual Oath to him, decamped that very Day, made the ordinary March; and after staying in all seven Days before Corfinium, arrived in Apulia, through the Territories of the Marrucini, Frentani, and Larinates.

XXIII. Pompey having Intelligence of what passed at Corsinum, retreated from Luceria to Canufum, and thence to Brundusum. He ordered all the new Levies to join him, armed the Shepherds and Slaves, surnished them with Horses, and formed a Body of about three hundred Cavalry. Meanwhile the Prætor L. Manlius, slying from Alba with six Cohorts; and the Prætor Rusilus Lupus, from Tarracina with three; saw Casar's Cavalry at a distance, commanded by Bivius Carius: upon which the Soldiers immediately abandoned the two Prætors, and joined the Troops under the conduct of Curius. Several other Parties, slying different ways, fell in, some with the Foot, others with the Horse.

Cn. Magius of Cremona, Pompey's chief Engineer, BOOK being taken on his way to Brundusium, was brought to Casar, who sent him back to Pompey with this Message: "That as he had not yet obtained an "Interveiw, his Design was to come to Brundussium, there to confer with him in relation to the common Sasety, because they soon would be able to dispatch in a personal Treaty, what, if managed by the Intervention of others, could not be hindered from running into a tedious Negotitation."

XXIV. HAVING dismissed him with these Instructions, he arrived before Brundussum with six Legions, three of which were composed of veteran Soldiers, and the rest of new Levies drawn together upon his March: for as to Domitius's Troops, he had fent them directly from Corfinium to Sicily. He found the Confuls were gone to Dyrrbachium with great part of the Army, and that Pompey remained in Brundusium with twenty Cohorts. Nor was it certainly known, whether he continued there with design to keep possession of Brundustum, that he might be master of the whole Adriatick Sea, the extreme parts of Italy, and the Country of Greece, in order to make War on both fides the Gulph; or for want of Shipping to transport his Men. Fearing therefore that it was still his Intention to keep footing in Italy, he resolved to deprive him of the Advantages he might reap from the Port of Brun-The Works he contrived for this purpose were as follows. He carried on a Mole on either fide the mouth of the Haven where the entrance was narrowest, and the Water shallow. But as this Work could not be carried quite aerois the Port, by reason of the great depth of the Sea, he prepared double Floats of Timber, thirty Foot square, which

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BOOK were each secured by sour Anchors from the sour I. Corners, to enable them to resist the sury of the Waves. These extending all the way between the two Moles, were covered over with Earth and Fascines, that the Soldiers might pass and repass with ease, and have firm sooting to defend them. The front and sides were armed with a Parapet of Hurdles; and every sourth Float had a Tower of two Stories, the better to guard the Work from Fire, and the shocks of Vessels.

XXV. Against these Preparations Pompey made use of several large Ships which he found in the Port of Brundustum: and having fitted them with. Towers of three Stories, which he filled with a great number of Engines and Darts, let them loofe upon Cesar's Floats, to break through the Staccado, and interrupt the Works. Thus daily Skirmishes happened with Darts, Arrows, and Slings at a distance. Amidst these Hostilities, Cesar's Thoughts were still bent upon Peace: and tho' he could not but wonder that Magius, whom he had fent with Proposals to Pompey, was not yet returned with an Answer; and even faw his Designs and Undertakings retarded by his frequent Offers of this kind; he nevertheless still persevered in these peaceable Resolutions. Accordingly he dispatched Caninius Rebilus, one of his Lieutenants, a Relation and intimate Friend of Scribonius Libo, to confer with him on this Subject. He charged him, to exhort that Nobleman to think feriously of Peace, and if posfible procure an Interview between him and Pompey. Could this be effected, he shewed there was the greatest Ground to believe, that Peace would soon be concluded on reasonable Terms; the Honour and Reputation of which would in a manner wholly redound to Libo, if by his Mediation both Parties fhould

should be prevailed with to lay down their Arms. BOOK Libo, after conferring with Caninius, waited on I. Pompey. Soon after he returned with this Answer; that the Consuls were absent, without whom Pompey had no power to treat of an Accommodation. Thus Cæsar having often tried in vain to bring about a Peace, thought it now time to drop that Design, and bend all his thoughts to War.

XXVI. CÆSAR having spent nine Days about his Works, had now half finished the Staccado. when the Ships employed in the first Embarkation, being fent back by the Confuls from Dyrrbachium, returned to Brundusium. Pompey, either alarmed at Cafar's Works, or because from the first he had determined to relinquish Italy, no fooner faw the Transports arrive, than he prepared to carry over the rest of his Forces. And the better to secure himself against Casar, and prevent his Troops from breaking into the Town during the Embarkation, he walled up the Gates; barricaded the Streets; or cut Ditches across them, filled with pointed Stakes, and covered with Hurdles and Earth. Streets which led to the Port, and which he left open for the Passage of his Men, were fortified with a double Palisado of very strong well sharpened These Preparations being made, he ordered the Soldiers to embark with great Silence, having placed on the Walls and Towers some select Archers and Slingers, who were to wait 'till all the Troops had got aboard, and then retire, upon a Signal given, to some small Ships that waited them at a convenient Distance.

XXVII. THE People of Brundusium, provoked by the Affronts they had received from Pompey, and the Insults of his Soldiers, wished well to Casar's

BOOK far's Cause: and having notice of Pompey's intended I. departure; while the Soldiers were busied with the care of embarking, found means to signify it from the tops of their Houses. Casar, upon this Intelligence, ordered scaling Ladders to be prepared, and the Soldiers to repair to their Arms, that he might not lose any opportunity of acting. Pompey weighed Anchor a little before Night, and gave the Signal for recalling the Soldiers that were upon the Walls, who repaired with all expedition to the Ships prepared for them. Mean-time the scaling Ladders are applied to the Walls, and Casar's Troops enter the Town. But being informed by the Brundusians of the Snares and Ditches provided for them by the Enemy, they were obliged to take a great Circuit, which gave Pompey time enough to put to sea. Two Transports only, impeded by Cafar's Mole, were taken with the Troops on board.

> XXVIII. Tho' Cafar was fully sensible, that to finish the War at a blow, he must pass the Sea immediately, and endeavour to come up with Pompey, before he could draw his transmarine Forces together; yet he dreaded the delay and length of time that fuch a Project might require: because Pompey having carried with him all the Ships on that Coast, rendered the present execution of the Design impracticable. He must therefore wait the Arrival of Ships from Picenum, Sicily, and the remoter Coasts of Gaul; which was a tedious Business, and, at that season of the Year, subject to great Uncertainty. It appeared likewise of dangerous Consequence, to suffer a veteran Army, and the two Spains, one of which was wholly devoted to Pompey, to strengthen thermselves in his Rival's Interest; to let them grow powerful by levies of Horse and Foot:

Foot; and leave Gaul and Italy open to their At-BOOK tacks in his absence. He determined, therefore, I. to lay aside, for the present, the design of pursuing Pompey, and turn all his thoughts towards Spain. He ordered the Magistrates of the municipal Towns to assemble all the Vessels they could, and send them to Brundusium. He sent Valerius, one of his Lieutenants, into Sardinia, with one Legion; and the Proprætor Curio into Sicily with three: ordering him, as soon as he had mastered Sicily, to pass over with his Army into Africa.

XXIX. M. COTTA commanded in Sardinia M. Cato in Sicily; and Africa had fallen by lot to Tubero. The Inhabitants of Cagliari, hearing of Valerius's Commission, of their own accord, before he had left Italy, drove Cotta out of their City; who terrified by the unanimous Opposition he met with from the Province, fled into Africa. In Sicily. Cato applied himself with great diligence to the refitting of old Ships, and building of new. fent his Lieutenants to raise Forces in Lucania and the Country of the Brutians, and ordered the States of Sicily to furnish him with a certain number of Horse and Foot. When these Preparations were almost compleated, being informed of Curio's Arrival, he called his chief Officers together, and complained, " that he was betrayed and abandon-" ed by Pompey, who without any previous Pre-" paration had involved the Commonwealth in an " unnecessary War; and upon being questioned by " himself and others in the Senate, had affored " them, that he was abundantly able to furtain it." Having thus declared his Mind, he quitted the Province, which by this means submitted without trouble to Curio, as Sardinia had before done to Valerius. Tubera arriving in Africa, found Attius VaBOOK rus in possession of that Province; who after the I. loss of his Cohorts at Auximum, as we have shewn above, had sled into those Parts, and, with the confent of the Natives, taken upon him the Command. Here he had found means to levy two Legions, by his knowledge of the People and Country, where he had been Governor some Years before, after the expiration of his Prætorship. Tubero coming before Utiva with his Fleet, was forbid the Harbour and Town; nor could he even obtain leave for his Sontoland, though he had a fit of Sickness upon him, but was obliged to weigh Anchor and be gone.

XXX. THESE Affairs dispatched, Cuesar, that his Troops might enjoy some Repose, cantoned them in the nearest Towns, and set out himself for There he affembled the Senate, and after complaining of the Injuries of his Enemies, told them, "That he had never affected extraordinary "Honours, but waited patiently the time prescribed by the Laws, to folicit for a fecond Conful-66 ship, to which every Roman Citizen had a right " to aspire: That the People, with the concurerence of their Tribunes, (in spite of the Attempts of his Enemies, and the vigorous Opposition of cc Cato, who endeavoured, according to Custom, " to spin out the time in speaking,) had permitted 46 him to stand Candidate though absent, and that even in the Confulship of Pompey: who, if he " disapproved of the Decree, why did he let it 46 pass? but if he allowed it, why now oppose the se execution? He set before them his Moderation. in voluntarily proposing that both Parties should " lay down their Arms, by which he must have 66 been himself divested of his Government and "Command. He displayed the Malice of his Enemies, who fought to impose Terms upon him,

" to which they would not submit themselves; BOOK " and chose rather to involve the State in a civil "War, than part with their Armies and Provinces. "He enlarged upon the Injury they had done " him, in taking away two of his Legions, and " their Cruelty and Infolence, in violating the Au-"thority of the Tribunes. He spoke of his many " offers of Peace, his frequent defire of an Inter-"view, and the continual Refusals he had received." "For all these Reasons, he requested and conjured "them to undertake the Administration of the Re-" publick, jointly with him. But if they declined it through Fear, he had no Intention to force " so great a Burden upon them, and would take "the whole Charge alone. That in the mean-time " it would be proper to fend a Deputation to Pomes pey, to treat of an Accommodation: Nor was he " frighted at the Difficulty Pompey had started some "time before in the Senate; that to fend Deputies "was to acknowledge the Superiority of him to whom they were fent, and a fign of Timidity in "the fender. That this was a little low way of "thinking; and that, in the same manner as he " had endeavoured at a superiority in Action, he would also strive to be superior in Justice and " Equity."

XXXI. THE Senate liked the Proposal of a Deputation to Pompey: but the great Difficulty was, to find Deputies; every one, out of fear, refusing to charge himself with that Commission. For Pompey, at his departure from Rome, had declared in the Senate: "That he would esteem those who stayed behind, as no less guilty than those in Cæsar's Camp." Thus three Days were spent in Debates and Excuses. The Tribune L. Metellus had likewise been suborned by Cæsar's Ener VGL. II.

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he should propose. Which Cafar coming to understand, and that he only wasted his time to no purpose; he set out from Rame, without effecting what he had intended, and arrived in further Gaul.

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XXXII. HERE he was informed, that Pompey had fent into Spain Vibullius Rufus; the fame who a few Days before had been made Prisoner at Corfinium, and set at liberty by Cafar: that Domitius was gone to take possession of Marseilles, with seven Gallies, which he had fitted out at Igilium and Cofanum, and manned with his Slaves, Freedmen. and Labourers: that the Deputies of the abovementioned State, young Men of the first Quality, (whom Pompey, at his departure from Rome, had exhorted not to fuffer the memory of his past Services to their Country to be blotted out by those lately received from Cæsar,) had been sent before, to prepare the way for his Reception. In confequence of their Remonstrances, the Inhabitants of Marseilles shut their Gates against Casar, and summoned to their Assistance the Albici, a barbarous People, who had long been under their Protection. and inhabited the adjoining Mountains. brought Provisions from the neighbouring Country and Castles, appointed Work-shops for the making of Arms, refitted their Navy, and repaired their Walls and Gates.

XXXIII. CASAR fending for fifteen of the principal Men of the City, exhorted them not to be the first to begin the War, but to be swayed rather by the Authority of all Italy, than the will of one particular Person. He forgot not such other Considerations as seemed most likely to bring them to reason. The Deputies returning into the Town, brought

brought back this Answer from their Senate: BOOK
That they saw the Romans divided into two Parties, and it did not belong to them to decide such
a Quarrel: That at the head of these Parties
were Pompey and Cosar, both Patrons of their
City; the one having added to it the Country
of the Volce Arecomici and Helvians; the other,
after the reduction of Gaul, considerably augmented its Territories and Revenues: That as
they were therefore equally indebted to both, is
became them not to aid the one against the other;
but to remain neuter, and grant neither an admittance into their City or Port."

XXXIV. WHILST these things were in agitation. Domitius arrived at Marseilles with his Fleet : and being received into the Town, was appointed Governor, and charged with the whole Administration of the War. By his Order, they sent out their Fleet to cruise round the Coasts; seized and brought in all the Merchant Vessels they could find; and made use of the Nails, Rigging, and Timber of such as were unfit for Service, to repair the rest. They deposited in publick Granaries all the Corn that was to be found in the City, and fecured whatever else they thought might be serviceable to them in case of a Siege. Casar provoked at these Preparations, brought three Legions before the Town; began to erect Towers and Galleries; and gave Orders for building twelve Gallies at Arks: which being finished, lanched, and brought to Marseilles, within thirty Days from the cutting of the Wood they were composed of, he put them under the Command of D. Brutus; and having directi ed the manner of the Siege, left the care of it to C. Trebonius his Lieutenant.

he sent C. Fabius before him into Spain, with three Legions that had wintered about Narbonne; charging him to secure with all diligence the passage of the Pyrenæan Mountains, which was at that time guarded by a Party of Afranius's Army. His other Legions, whose Quarters were more remote, had orders to follow as fast as they could. Fabius, according to his Instructions, having made great dispatch, forced the Passes of the Pyrenees; and by long Marches came up with Afranius's Army.

XXXVI. Pompey had then three Lieutenants in Spain; Afranius, Petreius, and Varro. The first of these was at the head of three Legions, and governed the nearer Spain. The other two had each two Legions, and commanded; the one from the Castilian Forest to the Anas; the other from the Anas, quite through Lusitania, and the Territories of the These three Lieutenants, upon the Arrival of Vibullius Rufus, whom Pompey had fent into Spain, as we have feen above; confulted together, and agreed; that Petreius should join Afranius with his two Legions; and that Varro should stay and secure further Spain. These Resolutions being taken; Petreius levied Horse and Foot in Lustania; and Afranius in Celtiberia, Cantabria, and the barbarous Nations bordering upon the Ocean. When the Leyies were compleated, Petreius speedily joined Afrawins through the Territories of the Vettones; and both resolved to make Lerida the seat of the War. because the Country lay convenient for their purpose.

XXXVII. We have already observed that Afranius had three Legions, and Petreius two. Besides these.

these, there were about eighty Cohorts, some light, BOOK fome heavy-armed; and five thousand Horse, raised in both Provinces. Cafar had fent his Legions before him into Spain, with fix thousand auxiliary Foot, and three thousand Horse, who had served under him in all his former Wars; and he was furnished with the like number from Gaul, all chosen Troops. For hearing that Pompey was coming with his whole Force through Mauritania into Spain, he fent circular Letters to all the Gallick States, invitaing by name those of the most known and approved Valour, and in particular a felect Body of Mountaineers from Aquitain, where it borders upon the Roman Province. At the same time he borrowed Money from the military Tribunes and Centurions. which he distributed among the Soldiers. Policy was attended with two great Advantages: it bound the Officers to him by the Obligation of Interest, and the Soldiers by the tie of Gratitude.

XXXVIII. Fabius, by Letters and Messengers, endeavoured to found the disposition of the neighbouring States. He had laid two Bridges over the Sicoris, four miles distant from each other, for the convenience of foraging, having confumed all the Pasture on this side the River. Pompey's Generals did the fame, with much the like view, which occasioned frequent Skirmishes between the Horse. Two of Fabius's Legions, which was the ordinary Guard of the Foragers, passing one Day according to custom, and the Cavalry and Carriages following; the Bridge broke down on a sudden, by the violence of the Winds and Floods, and separated them from the rest of the Army. Afranius and Petreius perceiving it, by the Fascines and Hurdles that came down with the Stream; detached immediately four Legions, with all their Cavalry, over k 3

BOOK the Bridge that lay between the Town and their Camp; and marched to attack Fabius's Legions. Upon this, L. Plancus, who commanded the Escort, finding himself hard pressed, seized a rising Ground; and forming his Men in two Divisions, posted them back to back, that he might not be furrounded by the Enemy's Horse. By this dispofition, tho' inferior in number, he was enabled to fustain the furious Charge of their Legions and Cavalry. During the course of the Battle, the Enfigns of two Legions were perceived at a distance, which Fabius had fent by the further Bridge to sustain his Party, suspecting what might happen, and that Pompey's Generals would seize the Opportunity offered them by Fortune, to fall upon our Men. Their Arrival put an end to the Engagement, and both Parties returned to their respective Camps.

> XXXIX. Two Days after, Cafar arrived in the Camp with nine hundred Horse, which he had kept for a Body guard. He began by re-establishing in the Night the Bridge which had been broken down, and was not yet quite repaired. Next Day he took a view of the Country, and leaving fix Cohorts to guard the Bridge, the Camp, and the Baggage, marched with all his Forces in three Lines to Lerida, and stopped near Aframus's Camp, where he remained some time under Arms, and offered him Battle on an even Ground, Afranius drew out his Troops, and formed them before his Camp half way down the Hill. Cafar finding that he declined an Engagement, resolved to encamp within four hundred Paces of the foot of the Mountain; and to hinder his Troops from being alarmed or interrupted in their Works, by sudden Incursions from the Enemy; ordered them not to throw up a Rampart, which must have appeared and betrayed them

them at a distance; but to cut a Ditch in front, fish BOOK teen Foot broad. The first and second Lines continued in order of Battle, as had been resolved from the beginning; and the third carried on the Work behind them unperceived. Thus the whole was compleated, before Afranius had the least suspicion of his design to encamp there.

XL. In the evening Cafar retreated with his Legions behind the Ditch, and passed the whole Night under Arms. Next Day he carried the Intrenchment quite round his Camp: and because Materials for a Rampart must have been setched from a great distance, he contented himself for the present with a naked Ditch, as the Day before; allotting a Legion to each fide of the Camp; and keeping the rest of the Troops under Arms, to cover those that worked. Afranius and Petreius, to alarm our Men, and disturb the Works, advanced with their Troops to the foot of the Mountain, and threatened to give Battle. But Cafar trusting to the three Legions under Arms, and the defence of his Ditch, still persisted in his Design. At last, after a short stay, and without daring to come forward into the Plain, they retreated again to their Camp. Day, Cafar added a Rampart to his Camp, and brought into it the fix Cohorts, with the Baggage which he had left in his former Camp.

XLI. BETWEEN the City of Lerida, and the Hill where Petreius and Afranius were encamped, was a Plain of about three hundred Paces; in the midst of which was a rising Ground, which Casar wanted to take possession of; because, by that means, he could cut off the Enemy's communication with the Town and Bridge, and render the Magazines they had in the Town useless. In this k 4

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I. formed them in order of Battle, commanded the first Ranks of one of them to run before, and gain the Place. Afranius perceiving his Design, dispatched the Cohorts that were upon guard before the Camp, a nearer way to the same Eminence. The Contest was sharply maintained on both sides: but Afranius's Party, who first got possession of the Post, obliged our Men to give ground; and being reinforced by fresh Supplies, put them at last to rout, and forced them to sly for shelter to the Legions.

XLII. THE manner of fighting of Afranius's Soldiers was, to come forward briskly against an Enemy, and boldly take possession of some Post; neither taking care to keep their Ranks, nor holding it necessary to fight in a close compact Body. If they found themselves hard pushed, they thought it no dishonour to retire and quit their Post; following in this the Custom of the Lusitanians, and other barbarous Nations; as it almost always happens, that Soldiers give into the Manners of the Country where they have long been used to make This manner of fighting however, as it was new and unexpected, disordered our Men, who feeing the Enemy come forward, without regard to their Ranks, were apprehenfive of being furrounded; and yet did not think themselves at liberty to break their Ranks, or abandon their Enfigns, or quit their Post, without some very urgent Cause. The first Ranks therefore being put into disorder, the Legion in that Wing gave ground, and retired to a neighbouring Hill.

XLIII. CESAR, contrary to his Expectation, finding the Consternation like to spread through

she whole Army, encouraged his Men, and led the BOOK ninth Legion to their Affistance. He soon put a ftop to the vigorous and infulting pursuit of the Enemy, obliged them to turn their Backs, and pushed them to the very Walls of Lerida. But the Soldiers of the ninth Legion, elated with Success, and eager to repair the Loss we had sustained, followed the Runaways with fo much heat, that they were drawn into a Place of disadvantage, and found themselves directly under the Hill where the Town stood: whence when they endeavoured to retire, the Enemy again facing about, charged vigorously from the higher Ground. The Hill was rough, and steep on each side, extending only so far in Breadth, as was fufficient for drawing up three Cohorts: but they could neither be reinforced in Flank, nor fustained by the Cavalry. The Descent from the Town was indeed fomething eafier, for about four hundred Paces; which furnished our Men with the means of extricating themselves from the danger into which their Rashness had brought them. Here they bravely maintained the Fight, though with great disadvantage to themselves, as well on account of the narrowness of the Place, as because being posted at the foot of the Hill, none of the Enemy's Darts fell in vain. Still however they supported themselves by their Courage and Patience, and were not disheartened by the many Wounds they received. The Enemy's Forces increased every Moment, fresh Cohorts being sent from the Camp through the Town, who fucceeded in the place of those that were fatigued. Cæfar was likewise obliged to detach small Parties to maintain the Battle, and bring off fuch as were wounded.

XLIV. THE Fight had now lasted five Hours without intermission, when our Men, oppressed by

BOOK the Multitude of the Enemy, and having spent all their Darts, attack'd the Mountain Sword in hand; and overthrowing such as opposed them, obliged the rest to betake themselves to slight. The Pursuit was continued to the very Walls of Lerida, and fome out of fear took shelter in the Town; which gave our Men an Opportunity of making good their Retreat. At the same time the Cavalry, tho posted disadvantageously in a bottom, found means by their Valour to gain the fummit of the Mountain; and riding between both Armies, hindered the Enemy from harraffing our Rear. Engagement was attended with various Turns of Fortune. Casar lost about seventy Men in the first Encounter; among whom was Q. Fulginius, first Centurion of the Hastati of the sourteenth Légion, who had raised himself by his Valour to that Rank. thro' all the inferior Orders. Upwards of fix hun-On Afranius's fide was flain dred were wounded. T. Cacilius, first Centurion of a Legion; also four Centurions of inferior Degree, and above two hundred private Men.

XLV. Yer such were the Circumstances of this Day's Action, that both sides laid claim to the Victory: the Afranians, because the allowed to be inferior in Number, they had long sustained our Attack, kept Possession of the Eminence which occasioned the Dispute, and obliged our Men at first to give ground: Casar's Troops, because they had maintained a Fight of sive Hours, with a handful of Men, and in a very disadvantageous Post; because they had attacked the Mountain Sword in hand; because they had driven their Adversaries from the higher Ground, and compelled them to take shelter in the Town. Mean-time Afranius sortified the Hillock which had been the Subject of Dispute,

Dispute, with a great Number of Works, and BOOK posted there a large Body of Troops.

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XLVI. Two Days after, a very unfortunate Acdent happened. For so great a Storm arose, that the Water was never known to be higher in those Parts: and the Snow came down in such Quantities from all the Mountains round about, that the River overflowed its Banks, and in one Day broke down both the Bridges Fabius had built over it. Cafar's Army was reduced to great Extremities on this Occasion. For his Camp, as we have before obferved, was between the Sicoris and Cinga, two Rivers that were neither of them fordable, and necesfarily that him up within a space of no more than thirty Miles. By this means, neither could the States, that had declared for him supply him with Provisions, nor the Troops that had been sent bevond the Rivers to forage return, nor the large Convoys he expected from Gaul and Italy get to his Camp. Add to all this, that it being near the time of Harvest, Corn was extremely scarce: and the more, as before Cafar's Arrival, Afranius had carried great Quantities of it to Lerida; and the rest had been consumed by Casar's Troops. The Cattle, which was the next Resource in the present Scarcity, had been removed to Places of Security, on the breaking out of the War. The Parties fent out to forage and bring in Corn, were perpetually harraffed by the Spanish Infantry, who being well acquainted with the Country, pursued them every where. The Rivers themselves did not impede them, because they were accustomed to pass them on blown-up Skins, which they always brought with them into the Field. Afranius, on the contrary, abounded in all things. He had large Magazines of Corn already laid up, was continually receiving

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BOOK fresh Supplies from the Province, and had plenty of Forage. The Bridge of Lerida surnished all these Conveniencies without Danger, and opened a free communication with the Country beyond the River, from which Casar was wholly excluded.

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XLVII. THE Waters continued feveral Days. Cefar endeavoured to re-establish his Bridges, but could not get the better of the Obstacles occasioned by the swelling of the River, and the Enemy's Forces stationed on the opposite Bank. They found it the easier to prevent his Design, as the River was deep and rapid, and they could discharge their Darts all along the Bank, on that particular Spot where our Men were at work: whereas it was extremely difficult on our side to struggle with the sorce of the Stream, and at the same time guard ourselves against the Assaults of the Enemy.

XLVIII. MEAN-WHILE Afranius was informed, that a large Convoy, which was on its way to join Cufar, had been obliged to halt at the River-side. It confisted of Archers from Rovergue, Gaulish Horse, with many Carts and much Baggage, according to the Custom of the Gauls, and about fix thousand Men of all forts, with their Domesticks and Slaves; but without Discipline or Commander, every one following his own Choice, and all marching in perfect Security, as if they had nothing more to apprehend than in former Times. There were likewise many young Gentlemen of Quality, Senators' Sons, and Roman Knights, with the Deputies of the States of Gaul, and some of Cæsar's Lieutenants; who were all stopped short by the River. Afranius set out in the Night with three Legions, and all his Cavalry; and fending the Horse before, attacked them, when they least expected it. The Gaulis 6

Gaulifb Squadrons forming with great expedition, BOOK began the Fight. While the Contest was upon equal Terms, the Gauls, tho' few in number, bore up against the vast multitude of the Enemy; but seeing the Legions advance, and having lost some of their Men, they retreated to the neighbouring Mountains. This Delay saved the Convoy; for during the Skirmish, the rest of the Troops gained the higher Ground. We lost that Day about two hundred Archers, a few Troopers, and some Servants and Baggage.

XLIX. All this served to enhance the Price of Provisions, a Calamity inseparable from present Searcity, and the Prospect of suture Want. Corn was already at sifty Denarii a Bushel, the Soldiers began to lose their Strength, and the Evil increased every Moment. Nay so great was the change produced in a few Days, and such the Alteration of Fortune, that while our Men were in the utmost want of all kind of Necessaries, the Enemy had plenty of every thing, and were accounted victorious. Casar left nothing untried to remove the present Scarcity: he dismissed all the useles Mouths, and applied to the States that had declared for him, desiring them to send him Cattle where they wanted Corn.

L. These things were greatly exaggerated by Afranius, Petreius, and their Friends, in the Letters they sent upon this Occasion to Rome. Nor was Fame backward in adding to the Account; infomuch that the War appeared to be almost at an end. These Couriers and Letters having reached Rome, there was a great concourse of People at Afranius's House, many Congratulations passed, and multitudes of the Nobility slocked out of Italy to Pompey; some to carry the first Accounts of this grate-

BOOK ful News; others that they might not be so late as to subject them to the Reproach of having waited for the event of Things.

LI. Affairs being in this extremity, and all the Passes guarded by Afranius's Parties, without a Posability of repairing the Bridges; Cafar ordered the Soldiers to build some light Boats, in imitation of those he had formerly seen in Britain, whose Keel and Ribs were of Wood, and the rest of Wicker. covered with Leather. When he had got a fufficient number, he fent them by night in Waggons, twenty-two Miles off his Camp. In these he embarked a good number of Soldiers, and fent them over the River; took Possession unexpectedly of a Hill adjoining to the Bank on the other fide; threw up a Fortification before the Enemy thought of hindering him; posted a Legion in this Fortification; and then threw a Bridge over the Sicoris in two Days. By this means he recovered his Foragers. fecured the Convoy, and opened a Passage for future Supplies. The same Day he detached a great Part of his Cavalry over the River; who falling unexpectedly upon the Enemy's Foragers, dispersed up and down without a suspicion of Danger, made a confiderable capture of Men and Horses; and obferving some Spanish Cohorts on the March to their Affistance, skilfully divided themselves into two Bodies; one to fecure the Booty; the other, to receive, and return the Enemy's Charge. One of their Cohorts, which had rashly separated from the rest, and advanced too far before the main Body, was furrounded and cut to pieces by our Men, who returned over the same Bridge to the Camp, without loss, and enriched with a considerable Booty.

LII. WHILST these things passed at Lorida, the BOOK People of Marseilles, by the Advice of L. Domitius, equipped seventeen Gallies, eleven of which were covered. To these they added a multitude of smaller Vessels, that they might strike a Terror into our Fleet by their very number; and manned them with Archers, and the Mountaineers we have already mentioned, whom they encouraged to perform their Part by great Rewards and Promises. tius defired some of these Ships, and filled them with the Shepherds and Labourers he had brought thither with him. Thus furnished and equipped, they failed with great Confidence in quest of our Fleet, which was commanded by Decimus Brutus, and rid at Anchor at an Island over-against Marseilles. was much inferior to the Enemy in number of Ships; but Casar had manned them with his best Soldiers, chosen out of all the Legions, and headed by Centurions of distinguished Bravery, who had petitioned him for this Service. These had provided themselves with Hooks and Grappling-Irons, and a great number of Darts, Javelins, and offensive Weapons of all forts. Thus prepared, upon notice of the Enemy's Arrival, they stood out to Sea, and attacked their Fleet. The Conflict was sharp and vigor-For the Mountaineers, a hardy Race, habituated to Arms, and trained up in War, scarce vielded to the Romans in Bravery; and having but rust parted from Marseilles, still retained a lively sense of the Promises so lately made them. Shepherds too, animated by the hopes of Liberty, and fighting under the Eye of their Master, did Wonders to merit his Approbation. The Townsmen themselves confiding in the nimbleness of their Ships, and the Skill of their Pilots, eluded the Shock of our Veffels, and baffled all their Attempts: As

BOOK As they had abundance of Sea-room, they extended their Line of Battle, in order to furround our Fleet, or attack our Ships fingly with a number of theirs, or in running along-fide, fweep away a range of If they were compelled to come to a closer Engagement, setting aside the Skill and Address of their Pilots, they relied wholly on the Bravery of their Mountaineers. Our Men were but indifferently provided with Rowers and Pilots, who had been hastily taken out of some Merchants Ships, and knew not so much as the Names of the Tackle. They were incommoded too by the weight and lumpishness of their Vessels, which being built in hafte of unseasoned Timber, were not so ready at tacking about. But when an Opportunity offered of coming to close Fight, they would boldly get between two of the Enemy's Ships; and grappling them with their Hooks, charge them on each side, board them, and cut to pieces the Mountaineers and Shepherds that defended them. In this manner they funk part of their Vessels, took some with all the Men on board, and drove the rest into the Haven. In this Engagement the Enemy had nine Galleys funk or taken.

LIII. The Report of this Battle reaching Lerida, and Casar having finished his Bridge over the Sicoris, Affairs soon began to put on a new face. The Enemy dreading the Courage of our Horse, durst not disperse about the Country as formerly; but either foraged in the Neighbourhood of the Camp, that they might the sooner make good their Retreat; or by a long Circuit, endeavoured to avoid our Parties: and upon receiving any Check, or even descrying our Cavalry at a Distance, they would throw down their Trusses, and sy. At last, they were reduced to omit foraging several Days together

ther, and resolved to pursue it only by night, con-BOOK trary to the general Custom of War.

LIV. In the mean time the Oscenses and Calagurritani, jointly fent Deputies to Cafar, with an Offer of their Submission and Services. The Terraconenses. Jacitani, and Ausetani, and not many Days after the Illurgavonenses, who inhabit along the Banks of the Iberus, followed their Example. He only required them to supply him with Corn, to which they readily agreed; and having got together a great number of Carriage-Horses, brought it to his Camp. A Cohort of the Illurgavonenses, hearing of the Resolution taken by their State, deserted from the Enemy, and came over to Casar's Camp. Change was fudden and great: for the Bridge being finished, Provisions secured, the Rumour of Pompey's March thro' Mauritania extinguished, and five considerable States having declared in his Favour; a great number of distant Provinces renounced their Engagements with Afranius, and entered into new ones with Casar.

LV. These things having struck a Terror into the Enemy; that he might not be always obliged to send his Cavalry so far about to forage, the Bridge lying above seven Miles from his Camp, he bethought himself of draining the River, by turning some of its Water into Canals thirty Foot deep, so as to make it fordable. The Work being almost compleated, Petreius and Afranius grew extremely apprehensive of being entirely cut off from their Provisions and Forage, because Cæsar was very strong in Cavalry. They therefore thought proper to quit a Post that was no longer tenable, and to carry the War into Celtiberia. What contributed still further to confirm them in this Resolution was, Vol. II.

BOOK that of the two contrary Parties, concerned in the late War; those who had declared for Sertorius, still trembled at the Name of the Conqueror, and dreaded his Power tho' absent; and those who had attached themselves to Pompey, continued to love him for the many Services he had done them: but Cafar's Name was hardly known among these Barba-Here they expected confiderable Reinforcements of Horse and Foot; and doubted not, by taking the advantage of Places, to be able to protract the War 'till Winter. In order to execute this Plan, they collected all the Boats to be found on the Iberus, and ordered them to be brought to Octoge/a, a City on that River, about twenty Miles from their Camp. Here they commanded a Bridge of Boats to be built; and having fent two Legions over the Sicoris, fortified their Camp with a Rampart of twelve Foot.

> LVI. CABSAR having notice of this by his Scouts, laboured Day and Night at his Drains with the utmost Diligence; and had already so far diminished the Water of the Sicoris, that the Cavalry could, with fome Difficulty, pass over: but it took the Infantry as high as the Shoulders, who had therefore both the Depth of the River, and the Rapidity of the Stream to struggle with. Mean-while it was known, that the Bridge over the Iberus was almost finished, and Cæsar's Ford in great forwardness. This was a fresh Motive to the Enemy to quicken their March: wherefore leaving two auxiliary Cohorts for a Garrison at Lerida, they crossed the Sicoris with all their Forces, and joined the two Legions they had fent over before. Cæsar had now no other Remedy left but to harrafs and fatigue them with his Cavalry: for if he went with his whole Army over his Bridge, he lengthened his March prodi

prodigiously, and gave Afranius time enough to get BOOK to the Iberas. Accordingly the Horse having forded the River, came up with Petreius and Afranius's Rear, who had decamped about Midnight; and making a Motion to surround them, began to stop and retard their March.

LVII. AT Day-break we discovered from the Hills near the Camp, that the Enemy's Rear was greatly harraffed by our Cavalry. Sometimes they obliged them to halt, and disordered their Ranks: at other times the Enemy facing about, charged with all their Cohorts at once, and forced our Men to give ground; who wheeling again as foon as they began to march, failed not to renew the At-At this Sight the legionary Soldiers running · up and down the Camp, complained that the Enemy would escape out of their Hands, and the War neceffarily be prolonged. They addressed themselves to the Centurions and military Tribunes, and defired them to beg of Cafar not to spare them; that they feared neither Danger nor Fatigue, and were ready to pass the River as the Horse had done. Cafar moved by their Alacrity and Intreaties, tho' he faw fome Danger in exposing his Army to the Rapidity of a deep River, judged it yet proper to attempt and make trial of the Passage. therefore withdrawn from every Company fuch as were weak of Body, or of less Courage than the rest; he left them in the Camp with a Legion and all the Baggage. The rest of the Army happily paffed the River, by the Affistance of a double Line of Cavalry, placed above and below them. of the Infantry were carried away by the Violence of the Current, but they were picked up and faved by the Horse below them; so that not one Man was Having passed the River without loss, he

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pursue the Enemy in three Lines: and segan to pursue the Enemy in three Lines: and such was the Ardor of the Soldiers, that notwithstanding the Army was obliged to make a Circuit of six Miles, notwithstanding the Time necessarily lost in crossing the River, they got up at the ninth Hour of the Day to the Enemy, who had set out at Midnight.

LVIII. WHEN Afranius and Petreius perceived them at some Distance, being with reason intimidated, they suspended their March, halted on an Eminence, and formed in order of Battle. would not hazard an Action with his Troops thus fatigued, and halted likewise in the Plain. On this, the Enemy refumed their March, and he the Purfuit; which obliged them to encamp earlier than they defigned. Hard by was a range of Mountains, and about five Miles farther, the Ways were difficult and narrow. The Enemy retired among these Mountains, to avoid the Pursuit of the Cavalry; and having placed Parties in all the Passes, to stop Cæsar's Army; hoped by this means to continue their March to the Iberus, without Fear or This was their great Affair, and what before all things they should have endeavoured to effect; but being fatigued by a long March, and their continual Skirmishes with Cæsar's Cavalry, they deferred it 'till next Day. Casar likewise encamped on a Hill that lay near him.

LIX. About Midnight the Cavalry having furprifed some of the Enemy, who had adventured a little too far from their Camp in quest of Water; Casar was informed by them, that Pompey's Lieutenants were decamping without Noise. Immediately he ordered the Alarm to be sounded, and gave his Army

Army the fignal to march. The Enemy, finding BOOK they should be pursued, kept still; being afraid of a nocturnal Flight, wherein they would have had greatly the disadvantage, on account of their heavy Baggage, which they had with them, and the fuperiority of Cafar's Cavalry. Next Day Petreius went privately out with a Party of Horse, to take a view of the Country. Cafar likewise detached a Squadron for the same purpose, under the command of Decidius Saxa. Both made the like Report in their feveral Camps; that for five miles together, the Country was level and open, but after that rough and mountainous; and that whoever should first get possession of the Defiles, might eafily prevent the other Army from approaching them.

LX. Upon this a Council of War was held by Petreius and Afranius, to deliberate about the time of beginning their March. The greater number were for fetting out by Night, in hopes of reaching the Defiles before Cesar could have notice of their departure. Others argued against the possibility of decamping privately, by the Alarm given in Cafar's Camp the Night before: "That the Enemy's " Cavalry were continually patrolling in the Night, " and had befet all the Ways and Passes: That a " nocturnal Engagement was to be avoided, be-" cause in a civil War, the Soldiers were more apt to listen to their Fears, than the Obligations of "the military Oath: That Shame, and the prefence of the Centurions and Tribunes, the great 4 Instruments of Obedience and military Dury, " could have their proper Effect only in the Light, " which rendered it of infinite importance to wait 46 the Approach of Day: That in case of a Disaster, 46 yet the bulk of the Army would escape, and be " able

BOOK able to possess themselves of the Post in question. This Opinion prevailed in the Council, and they resolved to set out the next Morning by break of Day.

LXI. CESAR having taken a view of the Country, decamped as foon as it was light, taking a confiderable Circuit, and observing no particular Rout: for the direct way to the *Iberus* and Octogesa, lay in the rear of the Enemy's Camp. He was therefore obliged to march thro' Valleys and Precipices, and over steep Rocks, which the Soldiers could not climb, but by disencumbring themselves of their Arms, and returning them afterwards to one another. But not a Man murmured at these Difficulties, in hopes of feeing a speedy end of all their Labours, if they could but gain the Iberus before the Enemy, and intercept their Provisions. As in this March we pursued at first an opposite course, and seemed to turn our Backs upon the Enemy, Afranius's Soldiers, who observed us from their Camp, came forth with joyful Looks, and insulted us on our supposed -Flight, imagining the want of Provisions obliged Their Generals applauded us to return to Lerida. themselves upon their Resolution of not decamping, and were confirmed in the notion of our Retreat, as they faw we had neither Horses nor Carriages, whence they concluded the scarcity must be exceeding great. But when they faw us, after some time, turn to the right, and that our advanced Guard had already gained the Ground beyond their Camp, there was not a Man so tardy or indolent, as not to perceive the necessity of decamping and opposing our March. Immediately they ran to Arms, and leaving a few Cohorts to guard the Camp, fallied in a Body, pursuing their way directly to the Locrus.

LXII. All depended upon dispatch, and getting BOOK the first possession of the Defiles and Mountains. Our Troops were retarded by the difficulties of the Way, and Afranius's by the continual Attacks of Casar's Cavalry. But such was the situation of the Afranians, that even supposing them to gain the Hills first, they could only secure their own Retreat, without a possibility of preserving their Baggage, and the Cohorts left to guard the Camp; because Cafar's Army getting between, cut them off from all Communication with their own Men. arrived first at the Place in question; and having found a Plain beyond the Rocks, formed his Men in order of Battle against the Enemy. who new faw our Army in his Front, at the same time that his Rear was continually harraffed by the Cavalry, halted on an Eminence, from whence he detached four Spanish Cohorts, to take possession of the highest Mountain thereabouts; ordering them to make all the dispatch they could to seize it, that he might get thither himself with the rest of his Forces, and changing his Rout, march them over the Hills to Octogefa. The Spaniards wheeling obliquely to take possession of the Place, were perceived by Cæsar's Cavalry; who charged them furiously, broke them at the first Onset, surrounded, and cut them in pieces in fight of both Armies.

LXIII. CÆSAR had now an opportunity of giving the Enemy an effectual Blow; whose Army, in the present Consternation it was under, would, he he was sensible, make but a faint Resistance; more especially as it was surrounded on all sides by the Cavalry, and would be obliged to fight on equal Ground. He was pressed on all hands to give the Signal. The Lieutenants, Centurions, and mili-

BOOK tary Tribunes, got round him, urging him not to I. delay the Engagement: "That the Soldiers were "all eager for a Battle; whereas, on the contrary, "the Afranians had given many marks of Fear: "That they had neither dared to support their own "Detachment, nor offered to descend from the "Hill, nor been able to withstand the very first "Charge of our Cavalry: That they had brought their Ensigns all into one Place, where they crouded consusedly round them, without observing Ranks or Order: That if he was afraid to attack them on the Eminence, he would soon have an opportunity of more equal Ground, as "Afranius would be obliged to remove for want of Water."

LXIV. CÆSAR was in hopes of terminating the Affair, without Bloodshed, or a Battle; because he had intercepted the Enemy's Provisions. Why therefore, even supposing the Event to be prosperous, should he unnecessarily lose any of his Men? Why should he expose to Wounds Soldiers who had deferved fo well of him? Why, in fine, should he tempt Fortune? Especially as it redounded no less to the Honour of a good General, to gain the Victory by his Conduct, than by the force of his Arms. He was also touched with Compassion for Afranius's Soldiers; who, after all, were Fellowcitizens, and whom he must have slaughtered, when he could equally fucceed without touching their Lives. This Resolution was not at all relished by the Army; who, in their discontent, openly declared, that fince Cæsar did not lay hold of so favourable an Opportunity, nor let them fight when they had a mind, they would not fight when he had a mind. But nothing could shake him, Nay he even retreated a little, to give Afranius and Petreius

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Petreius liberty to regain their Camp, which they BOOK did. He then posted Troops on the Mountains to guard the Defiles, and came and encamped as near the Enemy as possible.

LXV. THE Day after, Pompey's Lieutenants. disturbed at finding their Provisions cut off, and all the Ways to the *Iberus* intercepted, consulted what was proper to be done. They had it still in their power to return to Lerida, or march to Tarraco. But while they were debating this matter, notice was brought them, that our Cavalry had fallen upon their Parties sent out in quest of Water. Upon this Intelligence, they formed several Posts of Horse and Foot, intermixed with legionary Cohorts; and began to throw up a Rampart from the Camp to the Place where they watered, that the Soldiers might pass and repass under cover, without Fear, and without a Guard. Afranius and Petreius divided this Work between them, and went to give Directions about it in person.

LXVI. In their Absence, their Soldiers found frequent opportunities of conversing with our Men, and fought out every one his Fellow-citizen and Acquaintance. They began by thanking them for having spared them the Day before, owning they were indebted to them for their Lives. Afterwards they asked them, if they might trust to Casar's Honour; testifying much Grief at being obliged to fight with their Countrymen and Relations, with whom they were united by the strictest Ties. last they stipulated even for their Generals, whom they would not feem to betray; and promised, if the Lives of Petreius and Afranius were granted them, to change fides. At the fame time they fent some of their principal Officers to negotiate with Cesar; and, these Preliminaries to an Accommodation

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BOOK dation being settled, the Soldiers of both Armies went into one another's Tents, so that the two Camps were now in a manner one. A great number of Centurions and military Tribunes came to pay their court to Cæsar, and beg his Protection. Spanish Chiefs, who had been summoned to attend Afranius, and were detained in the Camp as Hostages, followed their Example. Every Man sought out his Acquaintance and Friend, who might recommend and procure him a favourable Reception from Cafar. Things were carried to fuch a length, that Afranius's Son, a young Gentleman, treated with Casar by the Mediation of Sulpicius, to desire he would give his Word for his Life, and that of his Father. The Joy was general, they mutually congratulated each other; the one, in that they had escaped so imminent a Danger; and the other, in that they had brought to a happy Conclusion so important an Enterprise, without striking a Blow. Casar, in the judgment of all, was upon the point of amply reaping the fruits of his wonted Clemency, and every body applauded his late Conduct.

> LXVII. AFRANIUS having notice of what pafsed, quitted the Work he was engaged in, and returned to the Camp; prepared, as it would feem, to bear with an equal mind whatever should happen, But Petreius was not wanting to himself. He armed his Slaves; and joining them to a Prætorian Cohort of Target-bearers, and some Spanish Horse, his Dependents, whom he always kept about him to guard his Person, he instantly flew to the Rampart, broke off the Conferences of the Soldiers, drove our Men from the Camp, and put all of them he could find to the Sword. The rest slocked together: where, alarmed at the danger to which they faw themselves exposed, they wrapped their Clokes round their left Arms, drew their Swords; and trusting

trusting to the nearness of their Camp, defended BOOK themselves against the Spanish Target-bearers and I. Cavalry, till they had retreated to our advanced Guard, who screen'd them from any farther Assault,

LXVIII. AFTER this he went through the whole Camp, begging his Troops with Tears, to have pity on him, and Pompey their General; and that they would not deliver them both up to the cruel Vengeance of their Enemies. Every one upon this flocks to the Head-quarters. There Petreius proposes to the Army to bind themselves by a new Dath, not to abandon nor betray their Commanders, nor to act separately, but all in concert, for the common good. He himself took this Oath first, and then exacted it of Afranius, afterwards of the military Tribunes and Centurions, and lastly of all the Companies man by man. At the fame time an Order was iffued, that all who had any of Cafar's Soldiers in their Tents should signify it, that they might be put to Death in the fight of the whole Army. But the majority detesting this bloody Order, carefully hid those who were under their Protection, and procured them means to escape in the However the Terror they had been thrown into by their Generals, the Severity shewn in punishing, and the new Oath they had been obliged to take, defeated, for the present, all hopes of a Surrender, changed the Soldiers Minds, and reduced the War to its former State.

LXIX. Casar ordered diligent Search to be made after such of the Enemy's Soldiers, as had come to his Camp during the time of Conference, and carefully sent them back. Some military Tribunes and Centurions voluntarily chose to stay with him;

BOOKhim; whom he afterwards treated with great Diffication, promoting the Centurions to higher Ranks, and honouring the Roman Knights with the Office of military Tribune.

LXX. THE Afranian Troops were destitute of Forage, and could not water without much difficulty. The legionary Soldiers had indeed some Provisions. because they had been ordered to bring two and twenty Days Corn with them from Lerida: but the Spanish Infantry and Auxiliaries had none; for they neither had Opportunities of fupplying themselves. nor were their Bodies inured to carry heavy Burdens. Accordingly they every Day deferted in shoals to Casar. In this Extremity, of the two Expedients proposed, that of returning to Lerida appeared the safest, as they had still some Provisions in that City, and might there concert what further measures to pursue. Tarraco was at a greater distance, and they would of course be exposed to more Accidents by the Way. This Refolution being taken, they decamped. Cafar fent the Cavalry before, to harrass and retard them in their March : and followed himself with the rest of the Army. The Cavalry gave the Enemy no respite, being continually engaged with their Rear.

LXXI. THE manner of fighting was thus. Some light-armed Cohorts formed the Rear-guard, which, in a Plain, halted from time to time, and made head against our Cavalry. When they fell in with an Eminence, the very nature of the Ground furnished them with the means of defending themfelves; because those who were first could cover them behind. But when a Valley or Descent came in the Way, the Van could give no Assistance to the Rear, and our Cavalry annoyed them with their

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Darts from the higher Ground, which put them in BOOK imminent danger. In this case the Legions were obliged to halt, and endeavour to drive back the Cavalry a good way, after which they ran down the Valley precipitately, until they came to the opposite Eminence. For their Cavalry, of which they had a considerable Number, was so terrify'd by their ill Success in former Skirmishes, that, far from being of any service, they were forced to place it in the Center to secure it; and if any of them chanced to straggle from the main Body, they were immediately taken by Casar's Horse.

LXXII. During these continual Skirmishes. in which the Enemy were often obliged to halt, in order to disengage their Rear, it is easy to perceive, that their March could not be very expeditious. This was in fact the case; so that after advancing four Miles, finding themselves greatly incommoded by the Cavalry, they halted on an Eminence, and drew a Line before them, as it were to encamp; but did not unload their Beasts of Burden. they saw that Cæsar had marked out his Camp, pitched his Tents, and fent his Cavalry to forage; fuddenly, towards noon, they refumed their March briskly, hoping to be rid of the Cavalry which had so much incommoded them. But Casar set out immediately with his Legions, leaving a few Cohorts to guard the Baggage, and fent Orders to his Cavalry to return with all diligence. The Cavalry returned accordingly; and having overtaken the Enemy before the close of Day, attacked their Rear so vigorously, that they were almost routed; a great number of Soldiers, and even some Centurions being slain. Cæfar's whole Army came up, and threatened them with an immediate Attack.

BOOK LXXIII. As they could then neither choose a proper Place for a Camp, nor continue their March. they were forced to halt where they were, far from any Water, and on very disadvantageous Ground. Cafar did not offer to attack them, for the Reasons mentioned before: he would not even permit any Tents to be pitched that Day, that he might be the readier to purfue with all his Forces, should they attempt to escape either by Night or by Day. The Afranians perceiving the disadvantage of their Situation, employed the whole Night in throwing up Intrenchments, and disposed their Camp directly fronting ours. The same they did the following Day, from Sun-rise till the Evening. But the farther they extended their Camp, and produced their Lines, in order to better their position, the farther they went from Water; and to avoid one inconvenience, fell into another. The first Night no-body went out of the Camp for Water, and the next Day the whole Army was obliged to do it in order of Battle, so that they could not forage that Day. Cafar wanted to humble them by these Misfortunes, and reduce them by Want and Necessity rather than Force. He began however to draw Lines round their Camp, the better to check their fudden Salfies and Eruptions, to which he forefaw they would be obliged to have recourse at last. Want, and the defire of marching with less difficulty, foon constrained them to kill all the Beasts of Burden.

LXXIV. Two Days were spent in forming and executing these Resolutions: on the third Casar had considerably advanced his Works. As Afranius and Petreius, sensible of the Consequences, drew all their Forces out of the Camp, and formed them in order

order of Battle. Cefar presently called in his Work-BOOK. men, affembled his Cavalry, and put his Army in a condition to receive them: for he was aware of the Hurt his Reputation might sustain, if, contrary to the Opinion of the Troops, and the earnest Expectations of all, he should still seem to decline an Engagement. However, for the Reasons already mentioned, he resolved to keep only upon the defensive; and the rather, because the Distance between the two Camps was fo small, that should he: even put his Adversaries to rout, he could not flatter himself with the Hopes of a compleat Victory. In fact, from Camp to Camp was not above two thousand Foot: the Armies were posted on each side. of this Space, which was left void for the mutual Charge and Affault of the Soldiers. On supposition therefore of a Battle, the nearness of their Camp furnished an easy Retreat to the vanquished. For this Reason he resolved to wait the Enemy's Charge, and not enter the first into Action.

LXXV. Arrawius's Troops were ranged in two Lines, confifting of five Legions; and the Cohorts wont to be stationed in the Wings, formed a Body of Referve. Cæfar's Army was upon three Lines; in the first of which were posted four Cohorts, detached out of each of the five Legions; in the second three; and in the third the like Number, all from their respective Legions: the Archers and Slingers were disposed in the midst, and the Cavalty on the two Wings. The Armies being drawn up in this manner, each General kept firm to his Resolution: Casar, not to engage, unless forced to it: and Afranius, to prevent the Progress of our Works. In this Posture they continued 'till Sun-fet, when both Armies returned to their feveral Camps. The next Day, Cafer prepared to finish BOOKhis Lines; and Pompey's Lieutenants, as their last Resource, endeavoured to find a fordable Place in the Sicoris. But Cæsar penetrating their Design, sent his light-armed Germans, with Part of his Cavalry over the River; and posted many good Bodies of Troops along the Banks, at a small Distance from one another.

LXXVI. AT last, having no hope left, and being in want of every thing, Wood, Water, Forage, Corn, they demanded an Interview: and that it might be, if possible, in some Place out of the Sight of the Soldiers. Casar denied the last Part of their Request, but offered to grant them a publick Interview: whereupon Afranius, having given his Son for a Hostage, went to the Place appointed by Cæsar; where, in the Presence of both Armies. he addressed him to this effect: " That it was no " just matter of Blame, either in him or his Sol-"diers, to have preserved their Fidelity to their "General Pompey; but that they had now fufficiently acquitted themselves of their Duty, and " fuffered enough in his Cause, by the want of all " kind of Necessaries: That like wild Beasts " caught in a Toil, they were deprived of the most common Enjoyments; having their Bodies oporefled by Want, and their Minds overwhelmed with Ignominy: That they therefore acknow-" ledged themselves vanquished, and befought and conjured him, not to make a rigorous Use of his "Victory, but to spare the Lives of his unhappy "Countrymen." This Speech was delivered with all possible Marks of Humility and Submission,

LXXVII. CÆSAR replied: "That he, of all "Mankind, had least Reason to complain, or implore Compassion: That all the rest had fully done

done their Duty: himself, in forbearing to at BOOK tack him, with all the Advantages of Time and "Place, that the way to an Accommodation might be the more open: his Army, in returning un-"touched the Men that were in their Power, after "Injuries received, and the Massacre of their Comrades: in fine, even his own Troops, in endeavouring to conclude a Peace, whereon they " thought their Safety depended. Thus all Orders " had shewn an Inclination to treat, while Afranius and Petreius alone opposed an Accommodation ; " refusing both Interview and Truce, and barbato roully murdering those, whom the Faith of a " Conference had enticed to their Camp: That it " had therefore happened to them, as frequently " happens to Men of Obstinacy and Arrogance; " and they were forced to have recourse to those "Conditions, and earnestly solicit the very same "Terms, which not long before they had despised. "However, he would not take advantage of their " present Submission, or the favourable Circumftances in which he found himself, to demand " any thing tending to the Increase of his own "Power; but only that they would disband those "Troops which they had now for so many Years " kept on foot against him. For with what other "View had fix Legions been fent into Spain; a fe-" venth levied there; fo many powerful Navies " equipped; so many able and experienced Officers " fent over. These mighty Preparations could not " be meant against Spain, or to supply the wants of " the Province, which having enjoyed a long run of Peace, had no occasion for such extraordinary " Forces. Their real Aim was to pave the way " to his Destruction; to effect which, a new Species of Power had been introduced into the Com-" monwealth; and the same Man appointed to Vol. II. " command

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BQQK " command in Italy at the Gates of Rome, and hold " for so many Years, the dovernment of the two most potent Provinces of the Repub-" lick. For this Reason the Magistrates were stript of their Prerogatives, and not suffered to take "Possession of their Provinces, at the Expiration of the Prestorship or Consulship, as had always "been the Custom; but particular Governors were " feet, by the Choice and Management of a Fac-"tion. For this Reason even the Excuse of old 45 Age was difallowed; and those who had merited " a Discharge by their past Services, were com-" pelled to take Arms again, to compleat the "Number of their Troops. In fine, for this Rea-"fon he alone had been denied that Justice, which was never refused to any General before him : " that after having successfully served the Com-"monwealth, he should be allowed to return 44 Home, and disband his own Army, with some "Marks of Honour, or at least without Ignominy. All which, nevertheless, he had hitherto born, and still resolved to bear with Patience: nor was " it now his Design, to take from them their Soldiers, and enlift them, as it would be easy for " him to do; but to prevent their employing them " against him. Therefore, as he had already intimated, they must resolve to quit Spain, and 56 disband their Forces: in which case he would This was his final Resolution. " injure no Man. of and the only Condition of Peace they were to " expect."

> LXXVIII. THESE Conditions were very agreeable to Afranius's Soldiers; who, instead of being punished, as they seared, were in some fort rewarded by the Discharge procured them. They plainly shewed their Satisfaction. For, while the Place and Linear Time

Time of their Dismission were debating, they signi-BOOK sied by their Gestures and Cries from the Rampart, where they stood, that they desired to be disbanded immediately: because no sufficient Security could be given for the Performance of what was put off 'till another time. After some Discussion of that Article by Casar and Afranius, it was regulated, that those who had Houses or Possessions in Spain, should be discharged on the Spot; and the rest near the Var, a River between Gaul and Italy. Casar on his side declared, that he would hurt no-body, nor force any one to take on in his Service.

LXXIX. CÆSAR undertook to find them in Corn until they got to the Var. He even promised to restore to them all they had lost in the War, that could be known again; himself indemnifying his own Soldiers, who hereby loft part of their Booty. By this Conduct he acquired their Confidence to such a Degree, that he was Arbiter of all the Disputes they had, either among themselves, or with their Commanders. The Soldiers being ready to mutiny about their Pay, because Petreius and Aframiss affirmed it was not yet due, the matter was referred to Casar, who determined it to the Satisfaction of both Parties. About a third of the Army was disbanded during the two Days they continued here: after which the rest set out for the Var in this order. Two of Cafar's Legions marched at the Head, the others in the Rear, and the vanquished Troops in the Middle. Q. Fusius Calenus, one of Cafar's Lieutenants, presided over the March. In this manner they continued their Rout to the Var. where the remainder of the Troops were disbanded.

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C. JULIUS CÆSAR's

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OF THE

CIVIL WAR.

BOOK II,

THE ARGUMENT.

I. Trebonius continues the Siege of Marseilles. III. Nafidius arrives with a Fleet to the Relief of the IV. The Inhabitants repair their Fleet, and join it to that of Nasidius, V. A Sea fight between Brutas and the People of Marfailles. VI In which the latter are defeated. VIII. Trebonius raises a prodigious Tower against the Town IX. Likewise X. By which a a Musculus of uncommon size. Towner pelbaging to the Enemy is wearthrown. Upon this the Bestieged demand a Truce. Which they afterwards break, and in a sudden Sally, burn Trebonius's Works. XIV, Trebonius, with wonderful Expedition; raifes a new and amazing Terrass. XV. Upon which the Besieged again treat of a Surrender. XVI. Mean while M. Varro in farther Spain prepares to oppose Cæsar, XVII. Cæfar summons a general Assembly of the States at Corduba." XVIII. Varro, deserted by bis Troops. goes over to Cæsar, XIX. Cæsar baving reduced Spain, arrives before Marseilles. XX. The Marseillians surrender. L. Domitius escapes by Sea, XXI. About the same time E: Cario sets out for Africa. XXII. Where, at first, he wars successfully against Varus. XXXIV. But afterwards, Varus baving received Supplies from King Juba, be rashly ventures a Battle; where, after some Advantages in the beginning, by means of his Cavalry, he is at last cut off with his whole Army.

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HILE these things passed in Spain, Trebonius, Cafar's Lieutenant, who had been left to carry on the Siege of Marseilles, raised Terrasses for two different Attacks, and approached with his Towers and Galleries. One of the Attacks was on the side of the Port; the other towards the Mouth of the Rhone, which empties itself into the Sea bordering upon Spain and Gaul. For Marseilles is washed by the Sea on three sides, and can be approached by Land only on the fourth; of which that Part where the Citadel stands, being very strong by Nature, m 4 because

BOOK because of a deep Valley that runs before it, requires II. a long and difficult Siege. For the compleating of these Works, Trebonius drew together, from all Parts of the Province, a great number of Workmen and Beasts of Carriage; ordered Wood and Osiers to be brought; and having prepared all things necessary, raised a Terrass eighty Foot high.

II. But so well was the Town provided with all Requisites of War, and so great was the Multitude of Machines to annoy the Besiegers, that no Mantles were sufficient to withstand their Violence. For they had wooden Bars twelve Foot in length, armed at the Point with Iron, which were shot with such Force from their Balistæ, that they pierced four Rows of Hurdles, and entered a confiderable way into the Ground. To refift the Violence of these Batteries, the Besiegers made use of Galleries. whose Roofs consisted of Pieces of Wood of about a Foot in thickness, strongly compacted together. Under this cover, the Materials necessary for raising the Terrals were conveyed: and a Tortoile fixty Foot long, composed of strong Beams, and armed with every thing necessary to detend it against Fire and Stones, went before to level the Ground. But in spite of all endeavours; the greatness of the Works, the height of the Wall and Towers, and the multitude of Machines made use of by the Befieged, greatly retarded the Approaches. Besides, the Mountaineers made frequent Sallies, and fet fire so the Towers and Mount: which tho' our Men eafily fustained, driving them back with great loss into the Town, yet failed not very much to incommode the Works.

pey to the Affistance of Domitius and the Muffilians, with a Fleet of fixteen Ships, some of which were strengthened with Beaks of Brass; passed the Straits of Sicily unknown to Curio, landed at Messana, and raised so great a Terror in the Place, that being abandoned by the Senate and principal Inhabitants, he tound means to carry off one of their Gallies: and joining it to his own Fleet, steered directly for Marfeilles; having dispatched a Frigate before, to apprize Domitius and the Inhabitants of his coming, and press them to hazard a second Engagement with Brutus, when they should be reinforced by his Fleet.

IV. THE Massilians, after their late Defeat, had drawn as many old Ships out of the Docks as they had lost in the Engagement; and repaired and rigged them with wondrous Expedition. They were likewise well provided with Rowers and Pilots; and had prepared a number of fishing Barks, which they filled with Archers and Engines, and strengthened with Roofs, to shelter the Rowers from the The Fleet being equipped in this Enemy's Darts. manner; the Massilians, animated by the Prayers and Tears of their old Men, Matrons, and Virgins, to exert themselves in Desence of their Country in fo pressing a Conjuncture; embarked with no less Confidence and Affurance, than they had done before their late Defeat. For fuch is the weakness of the human Mind, that things dark, hidden, and unknown, always produce in us a greater Degree of Confidence or Terror; as happened in the present Case: for the Arrival of Nasidius had filled all Men with an uncommon share of Hope and Eagerness,

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BOOK The Wind springing up fair, they set sail, and ren-II dezwouled at Tauroenta, a Castle belonging to the Town, where Nasidius lay with his Fleet. Here they put their Ships in order, armed themselves with Courage for a second Encounter, and entering readily into all the Measures proposed by Nasidius, left to him the Command of the left Wing, and flationed themselves upon the right,

> V. Bruzus sailed to meet them with his Fleet confiderably increased; for besides the Ships which Casar had caused to be built at Arles, he had also ioined to it fix more taken from the Massilians, which he had refitted and rigged since the late Action. Wherefore exhorting his Men to despise an Enemy. who had not been able to resist them when entire and unvanguished, he advanced against them full of Resolution and Confidence. It was easy to discern from Trebonius's Camp, and the Eminences around it, what passed in the Town. All the Youth that were left, the old Men, the Women, Children, and even the Guards upon the Walls, extending their Hands to Heaven, or repairing to the Temples. and prostrating themselves at the Altars, belought the Gods to grant them Victory. Nor was there a Man among them who did not believe, that their Safety depended wholly on the Issue of that Day's Action. For the choice of their Youth, and the most considerable Men of their City, were all on board the Fleet: infomuch, that in case of any Disaster, they had no Resource left: but should they obtain the Victory, they were in hopes of preserving their City, either by their own Forces, or the Reinforcements they expected from without.

VI. Accompined in the Engagement, they BOOK behaved with the most determined Courage. Remembrance of what their Wives and Children had represented to them as their Departure served to exalt their Bravety, in a full Persuasion, that this was the last Opportunity they should have of exerting themselves in Defence of their Country; and that if they fell in the Engagement, their Fellowcitizens could not long furvive them, as their Pate must be the same upon the taking of the Town. Our Ships being at fome Distance from each other, both gave the Enemy's Pilots an Opportunity of shewing their Address in working their Veffels, and flying to the Affiltance of their Friends, when they were laid hold on by our grappling Hooks. indeed, when it came to a close Fight, they seconded the Mountaineers with wonderful Resolution. and in Bravery seemed to yield but little to our Men. At the fame time, a great quantity of Darts poured incessantly from their smaller Frigates, wounded a great many of our Rowers, and flich of the Soldiers Two of their Gallies fell as were without Shelter. upon that of Bruces, which was eafily distinguished by its Flag: but the they attacked him on both sides, he extricated himself with such Agility and Address, as in a short time to get a little before; which made them run foul of each other fo violent-. ly, that they were both confiderably shattered; one in particular had its Beak broken, and was in a manner totally crushed; which being observed by those of our Fleet that hay nearest, they suddenly fell upon and fink them, before they could recover out of their Diforder.

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BOOK VII. In this Encounter, the Ships under Nasidius were of no manner of service to the Massilians, but quickly retired out of the Fight. For as they were neither animated by the Sight of their Country, nor the Intreaties of their Relations, they were not very forward to expose their Lives to hazard, but escap-. ed without hurt from the Combat. The Massilians had five Ships funk, and four taken. One escaped to the Coast of hither Spain with those of Nasidius. Of the rest that remained, one was immediately dispatched to Marseilles, to carry thither the News of the Defeat. As foon as it drew near the Town. all the Inhabitants flocked out, to know what had passed; and being informed of it, appeared no less dejected, than if the City had been taken by Storm. However, they still continued their Preparations for the Defence of the Place with as much Diligence as ever.

> VIII. THE Legionaries who had the charge of the Works on the right perceived, that a Tower of Brick built at a little Distance from the Walls, would be of great service to shelter them from the frequent Sallies of the Enemy. At first they made it very low and small, to guard against sudden Incursions. Hither they retired in case of Danger: here they defended themselves against the most obstinate Attacks of the Enemy; nay, even assaulted them in their turn, repulled and pursued them. This Tower was of a square form, thirty Foot every way, allowing for the thickness of the Walls, which might be about five Foot. Afterwards, (being instructed by Experience, which is the best of Teachers,) they plainly perceived, that the higher it was carried, the more serviceable it would prove. manner

manner of effecting it was thus: When the Work BOOR was raised to the height of one Story, they laid a Floor over it, the extremities of whose Beams were concealed in the thickness of the Wall; that they might not, by appearing on the outfide, be liable to be fet on fire. Thence they continued the Wall directly upwards, as far as their Galleries and Maistles would allow. Here they haid two Beams crosswife, whose extremities almost reached the Angles of the Wall, for supporting the Floor, which was to ferve as a Roof to the whole. Over these Beams they laid the Toists of the Roof, and boarded them with Planks. The Roof was fo contrived as to project a little beyond the Wall, in order to suspend from it what might be necessary to shelter the Workmen, while employed in compleating the Story. This Floor was paved with Tiles and Clay, to render it proof against Fire; and had besides a covering of strong Mattresses, to break the force of Stones and Darts. At the same time they suspended from the Beams of the Roof, that projected beyond the Wall, Curtains made of strong Cables, wove to the Depth of four Feet, and which went round the three sides of the Tower that were exposed to the Engines of the Enemy; having experienced on former Occasions, that this kind of Cover was impenetrable to any Dart or Engine whatever. When this part of the Tower was finished, roofed, and sheltered from the Enemy's Blows, they removed their Mantles to another; and by means of Engines elevated the Roof entire from the first Story, as far as the Curtains would allow. There, secure from all Insult, they laboured at the Wall; elevating the Roof a second time, and thereby enabling themselves both to continue the Work, and lay the interjacent In this manner they proceeded from Story Floors.

II. whichbut Dauger or Wounds, they had compleated the number of fix; leaving Loop-holes in convenient Places, for the Engines to play thro.

IX. WHEN by means of this Tower, they thristone they had Jufficiently provided for the Secuwhy of the Works around it; they referred to build a Gallery fluxy Foot long, of Wood two Feet in shickness, to extend from the brick Tower to the Tower of the Enemy, and the very Walls of the Town. The form of the Gallery was this: First, two Beams of equal length were laid upon the iGround, at the Distance of four Feet from one another; and in these were fixed limit Pillars sive Front high, joined at the top by Beams designed to fumport the Roof of the Gallery. Over these were -haid Rafters two Foot square, faltened strongly with Diads and Plates of Iron. The upper Part of the Roof was composed of square Laths, sour Inches thick, which were placed at a small Distance one from another, to bear the Tiles that were to be laid Thus was the whole finished with a upon them. 'floping Roof, which being partly composed of Tiles and Mortar, was proof against Fire; and had befides a covering of Hides, to hinder the Mortar from being washed away by Spouts of Water. Over all we threw strong Mattrelles, to skreen the Hides This Work was finished from Fire and Stones. close by the brick Tower, under cover of four Mantles; and immediately carried forward upon Rollers, in the manner Ships are lanched, still it unexpectedly reached the very Tower of the Enemy.

X. THE Maffilians altonished at so threatening and BOOK unlooked for a Machine, pushed forward with Leavers the largest Stones they could find, and tumbled them from the top of the Wall upon the Gallery. But the strength of the Wood relisted the violence of the Blows, forthat they fell so the Ground without doing any hurt. Observing this, they changed their Delign, and powed down upon us burning Barrels of Pitch and Tallow. But thefe likewise solled along the Roof without Damage, and falling upon the Ground, were afterwards thrust away with Forks and long Poles. Mean-while our Soldiers, under protection of the Gallery, were endeavouring with their Leavers to undermine the Enemy's Tower. The Gallery stielf was defended by the Tower of Brick, whence our Engines played without intermission; insomuch that the Enemy, driven from their Tower and Walls, were at last obliged to abandon their Defence. By degrees the Tower being undermined, Part of it fell down, and the reft was so shaken that it could not stand long.

XI. Upon this the Enemy, alarmed at so unexpected a Missortane, discouraged by the Downsal of the Tower, awed by such a Testimony of the Wrath of the Gods, and dreading the Plunder and Devastation of their City; came forth in the Habit of Suppliants: and with out-stretched Hands, besought the Compassion of the Army and Generals. At this new and unexpected light, all Acts of Hostility ceased; and the Soldiers laying aside their Ardor for the Fight, were eager to hear and get acquainted with the Proposals of the Enemy who arriving in presence of the Army and Generals,

BOOK threw themselves at their Feet, requesting them to suspend all further Operations 'till Casar's Arrival. They told them: "That as the Works were now compleated, and the Tower destroyed, they were "ifensible the City could no longer hold out; and therefore meant not to defend it: That in the 55 mean time, no Prejudice could arise to the Beselfiegers from this Respite; because, if they reof fused to submit upon Custar's coming, he would 5 have it in his Power to treat them as he pleased. They added, that if the whole Tower should be brought down, it would be impossible to hinder. the Soldiers from yielding to the Defire of Plunder, by breaking into and pillaging the Town." This, and much more of the same nature (for the Mashians are a learned People) they urged in a very moving and pathetick Strain.

> XII. THE Generals moved by these Remon-Arances, drew off the Soldiers from the Works. discontinued the Attack, and contented themselves with posting Guards in convenient Places. passion occasioned a kind of Truce 'till Casar's Arrival; so that on neither side were any Acts of Hostility committed, but every thing was quiet and secure, as if the Siege had been at an end. Cefar had earnestly recommended it to Trebonius by Letter, to prevent, if possible, the City's being taken by Storm; left the Soldiers, irritated by their Revolt, and the Resistance they had found, should put all the Youth to the Sword, as they threatened Nay they were even then hardly restrained from breaking into the Town, and loudly murmured against Trebonius, for delaying a Conquest, which they looked upon as certain.

XIII. But the Massilians, a Nation without BOOK Faith, aimed at nothing farther in all this, than to find a Time and Opportunity to deceive us, and put in practice the treacherous Purpose they had formed. For after some Days, our Men suspecting no Danger, but relying upon the good Faith of the Enemy; while some were retired to their Tents. others laid down to Rest in the Trenches, overpowered by the long Fatigue they had undergone; and all the Arms laid up and removed out of fight; fuddenly they fallied from the Town: and the Wind being high, and favourable to their Defign, fet fire The Flame in a moment spread itto the Works. felf on all sides, infomuch that the Battery, the Mantles, the Tortoife, the Tower, the Machines, and the Gallery were entirely destroyed, before it was possible to discover whence the Disaster arose. The fuddenness of the Accident made our Men immediately run to their Arms, where every one took what came first to hand. Some fallied out upon the Enemy, but were checked by the Arrows and Darts poured upon them from the Town; infomuch that the Massilians, sheltered by their Walls, burnt without any Difficulty the Tower of Brick and the Gal-Thus the Labour of many Months was delery. stroyed in an Instant, by the treachery of an Enemy, and the violence of the Wind. Next Day they made the same Attempt, savoured by the same Wind, and with yet greater Assurance, against the Tower and Terrass of the other Attack. They approached them boldly, and threw plenty of Fire upon them: but our Men, grown wife by their late Misfortune, had made all necessary Preparations for their Defence; so that after losing many Men, they VOL II. were

BOOK were obliged to retreat into the City, without effecting their Purpose.

> XIV. TREBONIUS immediately resolved to repair his Lofs, in which he found himself warmly feconded by the Zeal of the Soldiers. They faw the Works which had cost so much Labour and Toil, destroyed by the Perfidy of a People, who made no scruple of violating the most sacred Engagements: they saw that their Credulity had been abused, and that they were become the Jest of their Enemies, which grieved and provoked them at the fame time. But it was still difficult to determine, whence they might be supplied with Wood, to repair all these Works. There was none in the neighbourhood of Marseilles, the Trees having been all cut down for a great way round. They resolved therefore to raise a Terrais of a new kind, and fuch as History no where mentions before that time. They raised two Walls of Brick, each fix Foot thick, and distant from one another nearly the breadth of the former Mount. Over these they laid a Floor; and to render it firm, besides its being supported on either fide, placed Pillars underneath between the Walls, to bear it up where it was weakest, or had a greater stress of weight to support. There were moreover Cross-beams, which rested upon Nitches in the Wall; and to render the leveral Floors proof against Fire, Hurdles were laid over them, which were afterwards covered with Clay. The Soldiers thus fheltered over head by the Roof, on the right and left by Walls, and before by a Breaft-work, brought the necessary Materials without Danger; and by the Eagerness with which they laboured, soon compleated the whole; leaving Ouvertures, in convenient Places, to fally out upon occasion. XV.

XV. THE Enemy feeing we had repaired in foBOOK short a time, what they imagined must have cost us the labour of many Days; that there was now no hope left, either of deceiving us, or fallying out upon us with fuccess; that all the Approaches to the City by Land, might in like manner be shut up by a Wall and Towers, so as to render it impossible for them to appear upon their Works, our Walls over-topping and commanding theirs, that they could neither discharge their Javelins, nor make any use of their Engines, in which their principal Hope lay; and that they were now reduced to the necessity of fighting us upon equal Terms, tho conscious of their great Interiority in point of Valour: they were forced to have recourse again to the same Conditions of Truce they had so ill observed before.

XVI. M. VARRO in farther Spain, having early notice of what passed in Italy, and beginning to distrust the Success of Pompey's Affairs, spoke in a very friendly manner of Cæsar. He said: "That " he was indeed under particular Obligations to " Pampey, who had made him his Lieutenant-ge-" neral: but at the same time was no less indebted " to Casar: That he was not ignorant of the Duty " of a Lieutenant, employed by his General in an "Office of Trust; but that he likewise knew his " own Strength, and the Attachment of the whole " Province to Cafar," After this manner he talked in all Companies, nor declared expresly for either fide. But when he afterwards understood, that Cafar was detained by the Siege of Marfeilles; that the Armies of Petreius and Afranius had joined, and daily n 2

BOOK daily grew stronger by the Arrival of new Succours; that there was room to hope for every thing; that the hither Province had unanimously declared in their Favour; that Cesar himself was reduced to great Straits at Lerida: of all which Afranius wrote largely, magnifying his own Advantages: he began to He raised Troops over the alter with Fortune. whole Province; added thirty auxiliary Cohorts to the two Legions he had already under his Command; formed great Magazines of Corn to supply Marseilles, and the Armies under Afranius and Petreius: ordered the Gaditani to furnish him with ten Ships of War; caused a considerable Number to be built at Hispalis; sent all the Money and Ornaments he found in the Temple of Hercules to Cales; left there a Garrison of six Cohorts, under the Command of Caius Gallonius, 'a Roman Knight, the Friend of Domitius, who had fent him thither to look after an Inheritance of his; conveyed all the Arms, publick and private, to Gallonius's House; spoke every where disadvantageously of Cæsar; declared several times from his Tribunal, that Casar had been worsted, and that many of his Soldiers had gone over to Afranius, as he was well affired by -undoubted Testimonies: by all which, having struck a Terror into the Roman Citizens of that Province. he obliged them to promise him one hundred and ninety thousand Sesterces, twenty thousand weight of Silver, and one hundred and twenty thousand Bushels of Wheat. The States well affected to Cafar he loaded with heavy Contributions; confiscated the Effects of such as had spoken against the Commonwealth; quartered Soldiers upon them; harraffed them with arbitrary. Judgments; and in fine obliged the whole Province to take an Oath of Fidelity delity to himself and Pompey. Hearing of what had BOOK passed in hither Spain, he prepared for War. His Design was, to shut himself up with his two Legions in Cales, where all the Provisions and Shipping lay; because he very well understood, that the whole Province was in Casar's Interest: for he judged it would be easy in that Island, with the Ships and Provisions he had, to draw out the War into length.

XVII. CÆŠAR, though called upon by many and necessary Affairs to return to Italy, resolved however not to leave Spain, till he had entirely quelled the War in that Province: for he knew that hither Spain had many Obligations to Pompey, and that most of the Inhabitants were strongly in his Interest. Having therefore detached two Legions into farther Spain, under the Command of Q. Cassian, Tribune of the People, he himself advanced by great Journeys at the head of fix hundred Horse. He fent Orders before to the Magistrates, and the principal Men of every State, to meet him by acertain Day at Cordova. All obeyed: every State sent its Deputies: nor was there a fingle Roman Citizen of any Confideration, who did not repair thither on this occasion. The very Senate of Cordova, of their own proper motion, thut their Gates against Varro, stationed Guards and Sentinels along the Walls, and detained two Cohorts called Calonica, which chanced to march that way, that they might ferve to protect the Town. At the same time those of Carmona, the most considerable State in the Province, drove out of their City three Cohorts, which Varro had left to garrison the Citadel, and shut their Gates against them.

XVIII. This determined Varro to make all posfible Dispatch, that he might reach Cales as soon as П. possible, left his March should be intercepted; for great and apparent was the Affection of the Province to Cæsar. When he was advanced a little way, he received Letters from Cales, which informed him, "That as foon as Casar's Edict was known, "the principal Men of Cales, with the Tribunes of the Cohorts he had left in Garrison, had conspired to drive Gallonius from the City, and preserve "the Town and Island for Cæsar: that this Project being formed, they had warned Gallonius to retire " of his own accord, while he yet might with se fafety; threatening, if he did not, to come to " fome immediate Resolution against him: that 66 Gallonius, terrified by so general a Revolt, had " accordingly left Cales." Upon this Intelligence, one of the two Legions known by the Name of Vernacula, took up their Ensigns in Varro's presence, quitted the Camp, and marched directly to Hispalis, where they fat down in the Market-place and Cloisters, without committing the least Act of Violence: which so wrought upon the Roman Citizens residing in the Town, that every one was desirous of accommodating them in their Houses. aftonished at these Proceedings, turned back with defign to reach Italica, but was informed that the Gates were shut. At last, finding himself surrounded on all fides, and the Ways every where beset; he wrote to Casar, that he was ready to refign the Legion under his Command, to whomfoever he should order to receive it. Casar sent Sextus Cæsar to take the Command; and Varro having refigned the Legion accordingly, came to him at Cordova. Cordova. After giving him an Account of the BOOK State of the Province, he faithfully refigned all the publick Money he had in his hands, and informed him of the quantity of Corn and Shipping he had prepared.

XIX. CESAR affembling the States at Cordova, returned thanks feverally to all who had declared in his Favour: to the Roman Citizens, for having made themselves Masters of the Town in his Name: to the Spaniards, for driving out Pompey's Garrisons: to the People of Cales, for having frustrated the Defigns of his Enemies, and afferted their own Liberty: to the military Tribunes and Centurions fent thither to guard the Place, for having confirmed them in their Resolutions by their Example. He remitted the Tribute imposed by Varro upon the Roman Citizens; restored their Estates to those who had been deprived of them for speaking their Thoughts freely; distributed Rewards to a great many both in publick and private; and gave all room to hope for like Favours in the iffue. After a stay of two Days at Cordova, he went to Cales: where he restored to the Temple of Hercules all the Treasures and Ornaments which had been carried off, and lodged in private Houses. He committed the Government of the Province to Q. Cassius, asfigned him four Legions for that purpose; and embarking for Tarraco on board the Fleet which Varro had obliged the Gaditani to furnish, arrived there in a few Days. There he found Deputies from almost all the States of the Province: and having, in like manner as at Cordova, both publickly and privately rewarded fome States; he left Tarraco, came by Land to Narbonne, and thence to Marseilles. There

BOOK he was informed of the Law touching the Dictator-II. Ship, and that M. Lepidus the Prætor had named him to that Office.

> XX. THE Massilians overwhelmed with a Profusion of Calamities; reduced to the utmost Distress by Famine; worsted in two different Engagements by Sea; weakened by continual Sallies; affaulted by a heavy Pestilence, occasioned by the length of the Siege, and their constant change of Diet; (for they were obliged to feed upon old Meal and musty Barley, which had been long treasured up in their Magazines against an Accident of this kind:) their Tower being overthrown; a great Part of their Walls undermined; and no Prospect of Relief from Armies or the Provinces, which were now all reduced under Cæsar's Power: they refolved to furrender in good earnest. But some Days before, Domitius, who was apprifed of their Intentions, having prepared three Ships (two of which he affigned to his Followers, and embarked in perfon on board the third) took occasion during a Storm to make his Escape. Some of Brutus's Gallies, which he had ordered to keep constantly cruising before the Port, chancing to get fight of him, prepared to give chace. That in which Domitius was escaped under favour of the Tempest; but the two others, alarmed at feeing our Gallies so near them, re-entered the Port. Casar spared the Town, more in regard to its Antiquity and Reputation, than any real Merit it could plead. He obliged the Citizens however to deliver up their Arms, Machines, and Ships of War, whether in the Port or Arfenal: to furrender all the Money in their Treasury: and to receive a Garrison of two Legions. Then sending the

the rest of the Army into Italy, he himself set out BOOK for Rome.

XXI. ABOUT the same time, C. Curio sailed from Sicily into Africa, with two of the four Legions which had been put under his Command by Cafar, and five hundred Horse; having conceived the highest Contempt of the Troops headed by P. Attius Varus. After two Days and three Nights failing, he landed at a Place called Aquilaria. This Place is about twenty-two Miles distant from Clupea, and has a very convenient Harbour for Ships in the Summer-time, sheltered on each side by a Promontory. L. Cæsar the Son waited for him at Clupea with ten Gallies, which P. Atthus had taken in the War against the Pirates, and repaired at Utica, for the service of the present War. But terrified at the number of Ships Curio brought with him, he stood in for the Coast; where running his Galley on shore, he left her, and went by Land to Adrumetum. Confidius Longus commanded in that Town with one Legion: and here also the rest of the Fleet repaired after Cæsar's Flight. M. Rusus the Quæstor purfuing them with twelve Gallies, which Curio had brought with him from Africa to guard the Transports; when he saw Casar's own Galley upon the Strand, he towed her off, and returned with the Fleet to Curio.

XXII. Curso ordered him to fail directly for Utica, and followed himself with the Land-army. After a March of two Days, he arrived at the River Bagradas, where he left C. Caninius Rebilus with the Legions, and advanced before with the Cavalry, to take a view of the Cornelian Camp, which was judged

BOOK judged to be a Situation extremely advantageous. It is a high Rock, jutting out into the Sea, steep and rough on both fides, but with an easier descent where it fronts Utica. It lies little more than a Mile from Utica in a direct line: but as there is a Fountain about half way, which runs towards the Sea, and overflowing the Plain, forms a Morass; to avoid this, in marching to Utica, it is necessary to take a compass of six Miles. When he had taken a view of this Post, he went next and examined Varus's Camp, which was under the Walls of the Town, towards the Gate named the Gate of War. The Situation of it was extremely advantageous; for on the one fide it was covered by the City of Utica itself, and on the other by a kind of Theatre which stood without the Walls, the Works round which took up so much room, that they rendered the Approach to the Camp extremely difficult. the same time he saw all the Ways crouded with People, who out of fear of being pillaged, were carrying their most valuable Effects into the City. He detached the Cavalry against them to disperse them, and likewise have an Opportunity of making fome Booty. Upon which Varus ordered fix hundred Numidian Horse to advance to their Assistance, which he farther strengthened with four hundred Foot, fent by Juba a few Days before, to reinforce This King inherited from the Garrison of *Utica*. his Father an Affection for *Pompey*, and besides perfonally hated Curio, who, during his Tribuneship, had published a Law to deprive him of his King-The Numidian Cavalry foon came to Blows with ours; but were not able to stand their first Charge, retreating to their Camp with the loss of an hundred and twenty Men. Mean-time, upon the

the arrival of Curio's Fleet, he ordered Proclamation BOOK to be made among the Merchant Ships which were at Utica, to the number of two hundred, that he would treat them as Enemies, if they did not immediately repair to the Cornelian Camp. Upon this Proclamation they inftantly weighed Anchor, and leaving Utica, failed whither they were ordered; by which means the Army was plentifully supplied with every thing they stood in need of.

XXIII. THESE things dispatched, Curio repaired to his Camp at Bagrada, where with the joint Acclamations of the whole Army, he was faluted by the Name of Imperator. Next Day he led his Army towards Utica, and encamped not far from the Town. But before he had finished his Intrenchments, he was informed by some Parties of Horse, who were upon the scout, that a powerful Body of Horse and Foot had been sent by the King to Utica: at the same time a great Cloud of Dust began to appear, and foon after the Enemy's Van was in view. Curio aftonished at a Motion so unexpected, sent the Cavalry before to fustain their first Charge, and keep them in play: he, mean-while, drawing off the Legions from the Works with all possible expedition, formed them in order of Battle. Horse engaged according to Orders; and with such Success, that before the Legions could be duly drawn up, the whole Reinforcement fent by the King, who marched without Order or apprehension of Danger, falling into Confusion, at last betook The Cavalry, wheeling themselves to slight. nimbly along the Shore, escaped with little Loss into the Town: but great numbers of the Infantry were cut to pieces.

XXIV.

BOOK XXIV. NEXT Night two Centurions of the II. Nation of the Marsi, with twenty-two private Soldiers, deserted from Curio, and went over to Attius Varus. These, either believing the thing themselves, or desirous to carry grateful Tidings to Varus, (for we easily believe what we wish, and readily hope that others will fall into our way of thinking,) assured him, that the whole Army was extremely averse to Curio, and would infallibly revolt, if he would but advance, and come to a Conference with them. Accordingly Varus drew out his Legions next Day. Curio did the same: and the two Armies stood sacing one another in order of Battle, with a small Valley between them.

XXV. Sextus Quintilius Varus, who, as we have related above, had been made Prisoner at Corfinium, was now in the Enemy's Army: for Casar having granted him his liberty, he had retired into Africa. Curio had brought over with him from Sicily the very fame Legions, who had revolted fome time before to Cæsar at the Siege of Corfinium: so that excepting a few Centurions who had been changed, the Officers and Companies were the same as had formerly ferved with this very Quintilius. He made use of this Handle to debauch the Army of Curio, " and began with putting the Soldiers in " mind of their former Oath to Domitius, and to " himself that General's Quæstor; he exhorted " them not to carry Arms against the old Com-" panions of their Fortune, who had shared with "them in all the Hazards of that Siege; nor " fight in defence of that Party, who treated them " ignominiously, and as Deserters." To these ConfiConsiderations he added offers of a liberal Recom-BOOK pence, if they would follow his Fortune and that of Attius. But his Speech made no impression upon Curio's Troops, so that both Armies retired to their respective Camps.

XXVI. But an uncommon Panick foon spread itfelf over Cario's Camp, which the various Discourses' of the Soldiers ferved only to increase. For every one had his Opinion, and added the Suggestions of his own Fear to that which he heard from others. These Reports spreading from one to many, and receiving Additions in every new Relation, there appeared to be several Authors of the same Notions: " That in a civil War it was lawful for " every Soldier to choose what side he pleased: "That the same Legions who a little before had fought on the fide of the Enemy, might without " fcruple return again to the fame Cause, since " Cæsar's conferring Favours upon his Enemies, ought not to render them unmindful of prior " and greater Obligations: That even the municioal Towns were divided in their Affection, and " fided fome with one Party, fome with another." These Discourses proceeded not from the Marsi and Peligni alone, but ran like a Torrent through the whole Camp. However, some of the Soldiers blamed their Companions for this fo great freedom of Talk; and others, who affected to appear more diligent than the rest, enlarged in their Accounts of it to the Officers.

XXVII. For these Reasons Curio summoning a Council of War, began to deliberate about the proper Remedies for this Evil. Some were for attackBOOK ing at all hazards the Camp of Varus, in order to find employment for the Soldiers, whose Idleness they confidered as the cause of all the present Besides, it was better, they said, to trust Alarms. to Valour, and try the fortune of a Battle, than fee themselves abandoned by their Men, and delivered up to the barbarity of the Enemy. Others were for retiring during the Night to the Cornelian Camp, where they would have more time to cure the Infatuation of the Soldiers; and whence, in case of a Disaster, they could with more safety and case make good their Retreat into Sicily, by means of the great number of Ships they were there provided with. Curio relished neither of these Motions: the one, he thought, argued Cowardice; the other, a rash Boldness: to retreat, would have all the appearance of a shameful Flight; to attack, they must resolve to fight in a place of Disadvantage. "With "what hope, faid he, can we attack a Camp forti-" fied by Nature and Art? And what Advantage " can we draw from an Attempt, whence we shall " be obliged to retire with Loss? Does not Suc-" cess always secure to a General the Affection of " his Troops, whereas ill Fortune is evermore fol-" lowed with Contempt? And what would a De-" campment imply but an ignominious Flight, an " absolute despair of all Things, and an unavoid-" able Alienation of the whole Army? That we " ought not to let the modest think we distrust "them, nor the infolent that we fear them; be-" cause the Knowledge of our Fear only augments "the Prefumption of the one, and an Apprehension " of being suspected abates the Zeal of the other. "But if what is reported of the discontent of the " Army be true, which I am yet unwilling to be-

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" lieve, at least to the degree some pretend; we BOOK " ought for that Reason rather to hide and dissem-" ble our Fears, than by an unreasonable discovery " of them to add strength to the Evil: That as in " fome Cases it was necessary to conceal the Wounds " of the Body, that the Enemy might not conceive " hope from our Misfortunes; fo also ought we to " hide the Indisposition of an Army: That by re-" treating in the Night, as some proposed, they "would only furnish a fairer occasion to the ill-af-" fected to execute their Purpole: for Fear and "Shame are powerful Restraints by Day, but " Night entirely divests them of their Force: That " he was neither so rash, as to attack a Camp "without hopes of Success; nor so blinded by Fear, as to be at a loss what Measures to pur-" fue: That he thought it his Duty to examine "things to the bottom; and as he had called them " together to deliberate upon the present state of " Affairs, doubted not, with their Assistance, to " take fuch Measures as would be attended with " Success."

XXVIII. He then dismissed the Council: and affembling the Soldiers, put them in mind of what advantage their Steddiness and Zeal had been to Cæsar at Corsinium, and how serviceable towards the conquest of the greatest part of Italy. "It was "you, said he, that gave the Example, and all the municipal Towns soon followed: their submission to Cæsar was your Work: and therefore it is not without reason, that he is so particularly attached to you, and that Pampey hates you since cerely. It was you that obliged him to quit Italy, without being forced to it by the loss of a "Battle."

BOOK "Battle. Casar, who ranks me in the number of " his dearest Friends, has committed my Safety to your Care, with Sicily and Africa, without which " it would be impossible to defend either Rome or 16 Italy. You are now in the presence of those " who exhort you to abandon us: and indeed what could be more defirable to them, than at the " fame time to enfnare us, and fix upon you the " stain of an infamous Crime? What worse Opi-" nion could an enraged Enemy testify of you, " than to suppose you capable of betraying those, who own themselves indebted to you for all; " and of throwing yourselves into the power of a "Party, who consider you as the Authors of all " their Misfortunes? Are you Strangers to Ca-" far's Exploits in Spain? Two Armies defeated? "Two Generals overcome? Two Provinces " brought under subjection? And all this in the " space of forty Days, after Cæsar came within " fight of the Enemy. Is it likely that those, " who with Forces unbroken could not stand their "Ground, will be able to refift, now they are van-" quished? And will you, who followed Cafar be-" fore Fortune declared in his Favour, now return " to the vanquished, when Fortune has already de-" cided the Quarrel, and you are upon the point 66 of obtaining the Reward of your Services? "They charge you with having abandoned and be-" trayed them, contrary to the faith of Oaths. But " it is indeed true that you abandoned Domitius? " Or did not he rather meanly abandon you, at a " time when you were ready to fuffer every thing " for his fake? Did he not, unknown to you, re-" folve to feek his Safety in flight? And were you " not, after being thus basely betrayed by him, in-" debted,

debted to Cafar's Goodness for your Preservation? BOOK " How could your Oath bind you to one, who " after throwing away the Enfigns of his Authority," " and divesting himself of his Office, surrendered " himself a private Man and a Captive into the " power of another? The new Engagement you were then brought under alone subsists at present, " and ought quite to obliterate that, which the fur-" render of your General, and his loss of Liberty, " have made void. But tho' I doubt not of your " being fatisfied with Cafar, you may perhaps have taken Offence at me. And, indeed, I have no "thought of mentioning any Services I may have "done you: which, as yet, come far short of my "Intentions, and your Expectations: but you " are not ignorant, that the Rewards of military "Service come not till after the conclusion of the "War; and I believe you little doubt what the " iffue of this will be. Nor need I on this occa-" fion decline taking notice of the Diligence I have " used, the Progress already made, and the good • Fortune that has hitherto attended me. Are you "diffatisfied that I have landed my Army fafe in 46 Africa, without the loss of a single Ship? That "I dispersed the Enemy's Fleet at the first Onset? "That within the space of two Days I have twice " defeated their Cavalry? That I forced two hun-" dred of their Merchant-men to quit the Port of " Utica and join me? and that I have reduced them " to a fituation where it is impossible for them to " receive any Supplies either by Land or Sea? Can you think of abandoning a Cause conducted by " fuch Leaders, and attended with fuch Success; 46 to follow the Fortune of those who so ignomior niously delivered up Corfinium, relinquished Italy, Vol. II.

BOOK "furrendered Spain, and have already fustained conII. "fiderable Losses in the African War? I never
"pretended to more than being a Follower of Ca"far: it was you that honoured me with the Title
"of Imperator; which I am this moment ready to
"resign, if you think me unworthy of the Fa"vour. Restore me my former Name, that it
"may not be said I was honoured, to be covered
"afterwards with the greater Ignominy."

XXIX. THESE Remonstrances made such an Impression upon the Soldiers, that they frequently interrupted him while he was speaking, and appeared deeply touched at his fuspecting their Fidelity. As he retired, they all gathered round him, exhorting him not to be discouraged, or scruple to hazard a Battle, and make Trial of their Fidelity and Bravery. This Behaviour of the Troops wrought so great a Change in the Minds of the Officers, that Curio, with the joint Concurrence of them all, resolved to give Battle the first Opportuinity that offered. Accordingly drawing out his . Men next Day, in the same Place he had done for fome time past, he ranged them in Order of Battle. Attius Varus did the same; that if an Opportunity offered, either of corrupting the Soldiers, or fight--ing to advantage, he might be in readiness to lay hold of it.

XXX. Between the two Armies lay a Valley, as we have observed above; not indeed considerable for its Breadth, but steep and difficult of Ascent. Both sides waited till the other should passit, that they might engage to more Advantage. Curio observing that all the Horse on Varus's right Wing,

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Wing, together with the light-armed Foot, had BOOK ventured down into this Valley; detached his Cavalry against them, with two Cohorts of Marrucinians: whose first Shock the Enemy were not able. to fustain, but returned full speed to their own Men, leaving the light-armed Foot behind, who were furrounded and cut to Pieces in fight of Varus's Army; which fronting that way, was witness to the Flight of the one, and Slaughter of the other, Upon this Rebilus, one of Cafar's Lieutenants, whom Curio had brought with him from Sicily, on account of his confummate Knowledge in the Art of War; "Why, fays he, do you delay feizing "the favourable Moment? You fee the Enemy " struck with Terror." Curio made no Answer. only defired his Soldiers to remember what they had promised the Day before; and marching the first, commanded them to follow him. The Valley was so steep and difficult, that the first Ranks could not ascend, but with the affistance of those that came after. But the Attinian Army was so difpirited with Fear, and the Flight and Slaughter of their Troops, that they never thought of making Refistance; fancying themselves already surrounded by our Cavalry: so that before we could arrive within reach of Dart, the whole Army of Varus fled, and retreated to their Camp.

XXXI. In this Flight, one Fabius Pelignus, a Centurion of the lowest Rank in Curio's Army, as he was pursuing the Fugitives, called with a loud Voice to Varus, as if he had been one of his own Men, who wanted to admonish him of something. Varus hearing himself named several times, turned and stood still, demanding who he was, and what

BOOKhe wanted. Fabius aimed a Blow at his Breast with his Sword, and would certainly have killed him, had not Varus warded it off with his Shield. Fabius himself was soon after surrounded and flain. Mean-while the Multitude of Fugitives fo closed up the Gates of the Camp, and preffed upon one another in fuch manner, that more were crouded to Death, than fell either in the Battle or Pursuit. Nay the Camp itself was very near being taken; because great Numbers instead of stopping there to defend it, made directly for the Town. But both the Nature of the Ground, and the Fortifications themselves, prevented the Assault; and the rather, as Curio's Soldiers being armed only for Battle, had brought with them none of the neceffary Tools to force a Camp. Curio brought back his Army without the loss of a Man, Fabius excepted: of the Enemy about fix hundred were killed, and a thousand wounded. After Curio had drawn off his Men, all the wounded quitted the Camp, and retired into the City, as did a great many others, who overcome by Fear, sheltered themselves there also under the same pretence. Varus observing this, and that an universal dread had feized the Army; left only a Trumpet in the Camp, with a few Tents for shew; and about midnight, filently entered the Town with all his Forces.

XXXII, Next Day Cario resolved to besiege Utica, and draw a Line of Circumvallation round it. There was in the Town a Multitude of Men unsit for the Fatigues of War, through a long Enjoyment of Peace. The Inhabitants themselves were strongly attached to Casar, for ancient Favours

vours received from him. The Senate was com-BOOK posed of People greatly differing in their Tempers. II. and the Losses already sustained spread Terror through all Ranks. A Surrender was publickly talked of; and all concurred in soliciting Varus not to ruin them by his Obstinacy and Perverseness. While these things were in agitation, Messengers sent by King Juba arrived, who informed them of the approach of his Army, and exhorted them to defend the City; which contributed not a little to confirm their wavering Minds.

XXXIII. Curso received the same News; but for fome time would not believe it, so greatly did he confide in his good Fortune. Besides, Casar's Success in Spain was already known in Africa; whence he concluded it improbable that Juba would attempt any thing against him. But when he was for certain informed of his being within twenty-five Miles of Utica with his whole Army, he retired from before the Town to the Cornelian Camp, laid in great Quantities of Corn and Wood, began to fortify himself, and sent directly to Sicily for the Cavalry, and the two Legions he had left there. The Camp itself was very advantageous for protracting the War; being strong both by Nature and Art, near the Sea, and abounding in Water and Salt, great Quantities of which had been carried thither from the neighbouring Salt-pits. Neither ran he any hazard of being straitened for Wood and Corn, as the Country abounded in Trees and Grain. He resolved therefore, with the consent of the whole Army, to wait here the arrival of the rest of the Troops, and make Preparation for continuing the War.

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BOOK XXXIV. This Refolution being taken, andII. meeting with a general Approbation; some of the Townsmen, who had deserted to Curio, informed him, that the War in which Juba was engaged with the Leptitani, having obliged him to return into his own Kingdom, he had only fent his Lieutenant Sabura, with a small Body of Forces, to the Assistance of the Uticans. Upon this Intelligence, to which he too hastily gave Credit, he changed his Defign, and resolved to give Battle. The Fire of Youth, his Courage, good Success, and Self-confidence, contributed greatly to confirm him in this Resolution. Urged by these Considerations, about the beginning of the Night, he fent all his Cavalry towards the Enemy's Camp, which was upon the River Bagradas, and where Sabura, of whom we have spoken before, commanded in chief. But the King followed with all his Forces, and was not above fix Miles behind him. The Cavalry which Curio had detached, marched all Night, and coming unexpectedly upon the Enemy, attacked them before they were ready to receive the Charge: for the Numidians, according to the Custom of that barbarous Country, were encamped without Order or Rule. Falling upon them, therefore, in this Confusion, and oppressed with Sleep, they slew great Numbers, and obliged the rest to sly in the utmost Consternation: after which they returned to Curio, with the Prisoners they had taken.

> XXXV. Curio had fet out with all his Forces about the fourth Watch of the Night, leaving only five Cohorts to guard his Camp. After a March of fix Miles he was met by his Cavalry, who in-: . , formed

formed him of all that had passed. He asked the BOO.K Prisoners, who commanded at Bagradas? they anfwered, Sabura. Upon this, without making any farther Enquiries, for fear of being detained too long, he turned to the Troops next to him, and faid: "Do you not see, Fellow-soldiers, that the « Report of the Prisoners corresponds exactly with "the Intelligence given by the Deserters? Jubg is conot with the Army. It must consist of but a " few Troops, fince they were not able to with-" ftand the Charge of a small Body of Horse. " Haste, therefore, in the Pursuit of Glory, Booty, " and Victory." What the Cavalry had done was indeed confiderable, because they were but few in number in comparison of the Numidians: but as Vanity always makes us believe our Merit to be greater than it is, they themselves boasted immoderately of the Action, and endeavoured to enhance the Value of it. They made a mighty Parade of the Booty. The Prisoners too, as well Infantry as Cavalry, marched in Procession before them. And indeed the whole Army imagined, that to delay the Battle was no other than to delay the Victory: fo that the Ardor of the Troops perfectly feconded Curio's Hopes. He therefore hastened his March, ordering the Horse to follow, that he might as soon as possible come up with the frighted Enemy. But as they were fatigued with their late March, they found themselves unable to keep pace with the Army; but stopped, some in one Place, some in another: which, however, retarded not Curio's Hopes.

XXXVI. JUBA having notice from Sabura of the Action in the Night, detached to his Affiftance

MOOK two thousand Spanish and Gallick Horse, of his ordinary Guard, with that part of the Infantry in which he put the greatest Considence. Himself followed leisurely with the rest of the Troops, and about forty Elephants; suspecting that Curio, who had sent the Cavalry before, could not be far off with his Army. Sabura drew up his Horse and Foot, ordering them to give Ground upon the Enemy's Attack; and, as through Fear, countersein a Flight. Mean-while he told them, that he would give the Signal of Battle when he saw proper, and direct their Motions as the Case might require.

XXXVII. Curio flattered with new Hopes, and imagining by the Enemy's Motions, that they were preparing for Flight, made his Troops come down from the Mountain into the Plain; and advancing still farther, tho' his Army was already very much fatigued, having marched upwards of fixteen miles, halted at last to give the Men breath. That Moment Sabura founded the Charge, led on his Men in order of Battle, and went from Rank to Rank to animate the Troops: but he suffered only the Cavalry to come to Blows, keeping the Infantry at a distance within fight. Curio was not wanting on his fide, but exhorted his Men to place all their hopes in their Valour. And indeed neither the Infantry, tho' fatigued with their March; nor the Cavalry, the few in number, and spent with Toil; shewed any want of Valour, or backwardness to fight: tho' the last, in particular, did not exceed two hundred; the rest having stopt by the way. These, wherever they attacked the Enemy, obliged them to give ground: but they could neither purfue

fue far, nor drive their Horses on with Impetuosity. BOOK On the other hand, the Numidian Cavalry began to furround our Men, and charge them in the Rear. When the Cohorts advanced against them, they fell back, and by the quickness of their Retreat, eluded the Charge: but immediately returning, they got behind our Men, and cut them off from the rest of the Army. Thus it was equally dangerous for them to maintain their Ranks, or advance to Battle. The Enemy's Forces increased continually, by the Reinforcements fent from the King: ours, on the contrary, were disabled by Fatigue. Neither could our wounded Men retire, or be fent to any place of Safety, the whole Army being invested by the Enemy's Horse. These despairing of safety; as is usual for Men in the last moments of Life, either lamented their own Fate, or recommended their Relations to their Fellow-Soldiers, if any should be so fortunate as to escape that Danger. The whole Army was filled with Consternation and Grief.

XXXVIII. Curso perceiving the general Alarm, and that neither his Exhortations nor Prayers were regarded, ordered the Troops to retire with the Standards to the nearest Mountains, as the only Resource in the present Exigence. But the Cavalry detached by Sabura had already seized them. All hope being now lost, some were slain endeavouring to fly: others threw themselves upon the Ground, partly in despair, partly unable to make any Efforts for their own Sasety. At this moment Cn. Domitius, who commanded the Horse, addressing Curio, intreated him to regain his Camp with the sew Cavalry that remained, promising not to abandon Vol. II.

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BOOK him. "Can I, fays Curio, look Casar in the Face,
II. "after having lost an Army he had committed to
"my Charge?" So saying, he continued fighting
'till he was slain. Very few of the Cavalry escaped,
those only excepted who had stopt to refresh their
Horses: for perceiving at a distance the rout of the
whole Army, they returned to their Camp. All
the Infantry were slain to a Man.

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XXXIX. When this Difaster was known, M. Rufus the Quæster, whom Curio had left to guard the Camp, intreated his Men not to lose Courage. They begged and requested him to reconduct them into Sicily: which he promised: and ordered the Masters of the Transports to have their Ships in readiness at Night along the Shore. But Fear had fo universally seized the Minds of the Soldiers, that fome cried out Juba was arrived with his Troops; fome that Varus approached with the Legions, the Dust of whose March they pretended to discern; and others, that the Enemy's Fleet would be upon them in an instant: though there was not the least ground for these Reports. The Consternation thus becoming general, each Man thought only of his own Satety. Those who were already embarked failed immediately: and their Flight drew after it that of the Transports; so that only a very few fmall Frigates obeyed the Summons, and came to the general Rendezvous. The Disorder was so great upon the Shore, every one striving who should first embark, that many Boats funk under the Croud, and others were afraid to come near the Land.

XL. Thus only a few Soldiers and aged Men, who either through Interest or Compassion were received

ceived on board, or had Strength enough to swim to the Transports, got safe to Sicily. The rest de-BOOK puting their Centurions to Varus by Night, surrendered to him. Juba coming up next Day, claimed them as his Property, put the greater Number to the Sword, and sent a sew of the most considerable, whom he had selected for that purpose, into Numidia. Varus complained of this Violation of his Faith; but durst not make any Resistance. The King made his Entrance into the City on horseback, sollowed by a great Number of Senators, among whom was Servius Sulpicius, and Licinius Damassippus. Here he stayed a sew Days, to give what Orders he thought necessary: and then returned with all his Forces into his own Kingdom.

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** ESAR, as Dictator, holding the Comi-BOOK tia, Julius Casar, and P. Servilius, were chosen Consuls: for this was the Year in which he could be elected to that Magiftracy, confiftent with the Laws. This Affair being dispatched; as Casar saw publick Credit at a stand over all Italy, because no body paid their Debts; he ordered that Arbiters should be chose, who should make an Estimate of the Possessions of all Debtors, and should convey them in Payment to their Creditors, at the Price they bore before the This Regulation he thought best calculated to restore publick Credit, and prevent the Apprehension of a general Abolition of Debts, which is but too common a Confequence of Wars and civil At the same time, in consequence of Diffensions. an Address to the People, he re-established the Prætors and Tribunes, who had been deprived upon a Charge of Bribery, at a time when Pompey awed the City by his Legions. These Decisions were so little conformable to Law, that Sentence was often pro-B 3

BOOK pronounced by a Party of Judges, different from III. those who attended the Pleadings. As these had made him an offer of their Service in the beginning of the War, he accounted the Obligation the same as if he had actually accepted of their Friendship: but thought it better their Restoration should seem to flow from the People, than appear a mere Act of Bounty in him; that he might neither be charged with Ingratitude to his Followers, nor accused of invading the Prerogatives of the People.

II. ALL this Business, with the Celebration of the Latin Festivals, and the holding the Comitia for Elections, took him up only eleven Days, at the end of which he abdicated the Dictatorship; and immediately set out from Rome, in order to reach Brundusium, where he had ordered twelve Legions, with all the Cavalry, to rendezvous. he had scarce Ships to carry over twenty thousand legionary Soldiers, and fix hundred Horse; which alone hindered him from putting a speedy end to the War. Besides, the Legions were considerably weakened by their many Losses in the Gallick War, and the long and painful March from Spain: and an unhealthful Autumn in Apulia, and about Brundustum, with the change of so fine a Climate as that of Gaul and Spain, had brought a general Sickness among the Troops.

III. POMPEY having had a whole Year to compleat his Preparations, undiffurbed by Wars, and free from the Interruption of an Enemy; had collected a mighty Fleet from Asia, the Cyclades, Corcyra, Atbens, Pontus, Bithynia, Syria, Cilicia, Phanicia, and Egypt; and had given Orders for the building of Ships in all Parts. He had exacted great Sums from the People of Asia and Syria; from

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from the Kings, Tetrarchs, and Dynasties of those BOOK Parts; from the free States of Achaia; and from the Corporations of the Provinces subject to his Command. He had raised nine Legions of Roman Citizens: five he had brought with him from Italy; one had been fent him from Sicily, confifting wholly of Veterans, and called Gemella, because composed of two; another from Crete and Macedonia, of veteran Soldiers likewise, who having been disbanded by former Generals, had fettled in those Parts; and two more from Afia, levied by the care of Lentulus. Besides all these, he had great Numbers from Thesfaly, Bactia, Achaia, and Epirus; whom, together with Antony's Soldiers, he distributed among the Legions by way of Recruits. He expected also two Legions that Metellus Scipio was to bring out of Syria. He had three thousand Archers drawn together from Crete, Lacedemon, Pontus, Syria, and other Provinces; fix Cohorts of Slingers; and two of Mercenaries. His Cavalry amounted to seven thoufand; fix hundred of which came from Galatia under Dejotarus; five hundred from Cappadocia under Ariobarzanes; and the like Number had been fent him out of Thrace by Cotus, with his Son Sadalis at their head. Two hundred were from Macedonia, commanded by Rascipolis, an Officer of great Di-Stinction: five hundred from Alexandria, confisting of Gauls and Germans, left there by A. Gabinius to ferve as a Guard to King Ptolemy; and now brought over by young Pompey in his Fleet, together with eight hundred of his own Domesticks. Tarcundarius Castor and Donilaus furnished three hundred Gallogracians: the first of these came himself in person, the latter fent his Son. Two hundred, most of them Archers, were fent from Syria by Comagenus of Antioch, who lay under the greatest Obligations to There were likewise a great Number of · B 4 DarBOOK Dardanians and Bessians, partly Volunteers, partly Mercenaries; with others from Macedonia, Thessaly, and the adjoining States and Provinces, who altogether made up the Number mentioned above. To fublish this mighty Army, he had taken care to amass vast Quantities of Corn from Thessaly, Asia, Egypt, Crete, Cyrene, and other Countries; resolving to quarter his Troops during the Winter at Dyrrhachium, Apollonia, and the other maritime Towns, to prevent Casar's passing the Sea; for which purpose he ordered his Fleet to cruise perpetually about the Coasts. Young Pompey commanded the Egyptian Squadron; D. Lælius and C. Triarius the Afiatic; C. Cassius the Syrian; C. Marcellus and C. Coponius the Rhodian; Scribonius Libo and M. Octavius the Liburnian and Achaian: but the chief Authority was vested in M. Bibulus, who was Admiral of the whole, and gave his Orders accordingly.

> IV. CÆSAR, upon his Arrival at Brundusium, harangued his Troops, and told them, " That as "they were now upon the point of feeing an end " of all their Toils and Dangers, they ought not " to scruple at leaving their Servants and Baggage " behind them in Italy, that they might embark " with less Confusion, and in greater Numbers; " putting all their Hopes in Victory, and the Ge-" nerolity of their General." The whole Army testified their Approbation of what was proposed, and called out that they were ready to submit to Accordingly, having put feven Lehis Orders. gions on board, as we have before observed, he set fail the fourth of January, and arrived next Day at the Ceraunian Mountains: where having found among the Rocks and Shelves, with which that Coast abounds, a tolerable Road; and not daring to go to any Port, as he apprehended they were all

in the Enemy's Possession; he landed his Troops at BOOK a Place called *Pharsalus*, whither he brought his III. Fleet without the Loss of a single Ship.

V. LUERETIUS VESPILLO and Minucius Rufus were at Oricum, with eighteen Afiatic Ships; and Bibulus had an hundred and ten at Corcyra. But the first durst not hazard an Engagement, though Casar was escorted by no more than twelve Gallies, only four of which had Decks: and Bibulus had not time to re-affemble his Sailors and Soldiers, who were dispersed in full Security: for no news of Casar's Approach had reached those Parts, till his Fleet was seen from the Continent.

VI. CESAR having landed his Troops. fent the Fleet back the fame Night to Brundussum, to bring over his other Legions and Cavalry. Fufus Kalenus, Lieutenant-General, had the Charge of this Expedition, with Orders to use the utmost Dispatch. But fetting fail too late, he lost the benefit of the Wind, which offered fair all Night, and fell in with For Bibulus hearing at Corcyra of the Enemy. Cafar's Arrival, forthwith put to Sea, in hopes of intercepting some of the Transports; and meeting the Fleet as it returned empty, took about thirty Ships, which he immediately burnt, with all that were on board; partly to fatisfy his own Vengeance for the disappointment he had received; partly to deter the rest of the Troops from attempting the Passage. He then stationed his Fleet along the · Coast from Salona to Oricum, guarded all Places with extraordinary care, and even lay himself aboard, notwithstanding the rigour of the Winter; declining no Danger nor Fatigue, and solely intent upon intercepting Cafar's Supplies.

VII. AFTER the departure of the Liburnian BOOK III. Gallies, M. Ottavius, with the Squadron under his Command, failed from *Illyricum*, and came before Having spirited up the Dalmatians, and other barbarous Nations in those Parts, he drew Is to revolt from Casar. But finding that the Council of Salona was neither to be moved by Promises nor Threats, he resolved to invest the Town. Salona is built upon a Hill, and advantageously situated for Defence: but as the Fortifications were very inconsiderable, the Roman Citizens residing immediately furrounded the Place with wooden Towers; and finding themselves too few to refift the Attacks of the Enemy, who foon overwhelmed them with Wounds, betook themselves to their last Refuge, by granting Liberty to all Slaves capable of bearing Arms, and cutting off the Womens Hair to make Cords for their Engines. Octavius perceiving their Obstinacy, formed five different Camps round the Town, that they might at once fuffer all the Inconveniencies of a Siege. and be exposed to frequent Attacks. The Salonians, determined to endure every thing, found themselves most pressed for want of Corn; and therefore sent Deputies to Cæsar to solicit a Supply, patiently submitting to all the other Hardships they laboured un-When the Siege had now continued a confiderable time, and the Octavians began to be off their Guard: the Salonians finding the Opportunity favourable, about noon, when the Enemy were difperfed, disposed their Wives and Children upon the Walls, that every thing might have its wonted Appearance; and fallying in a Body with their enfranchifed Slaves, attacked the nearest Quarters of Having foon forced thefe, they advançed to the next; thence to a third, a fourth, and so

on through the rest; till having driven the Enemy BOOK from every Post, and made great Slaughter of their Men, they at length compelled them, and Octavius their Leader, to betake themselves to their Ships. Such was the issue of the Siege. As Winter now approached, and the loss had been very considerable; Octavius, despairing to reduce the Place, retired to Dyrrhachium, and joined Pompey.

VIII. WE have feen that L. Vibullius Rufus, Pompey's chief Engineer, had fallen twice into Cafar's hands, and been as often fet at liberty; the first time at Corfinium, the next in Spain. Having been therefore twice indebted to him for his Life, and being also much in Pompey's Esteem, Casar thought him a proper Person to negotiate between them. His Instructions were; "That it was now "time for both to defift from their Obstinacy, and " lay down their Arms, without exposing them-" felves any more to the precarious Events of For-"tune. That the Losses they had already sustained ought to serve as Lessons and Cautions, and " fill them with just Apprehensions with regard to "the future. That Pompey had been forced to " abandon Italy, had lost Sicily and Sardinia, the " two Spains, with about an hundred and thirty ⁶⁶ Cohorts of Roman Citizens, who had perished in "these Countries. That himself too had been a confiderable Sufferer by the Death of Curio, the 66 Destruction of the African Army, and the Surrender of his Forces at Corcyra. That it was ** therefore incumbent on them to show some regard to the finking State of the Commonwealth, having fufficiently experienced by their own Misfortunes, how prevalent Fortune was in That the present Moment was the most favourable in this respect; because, not having

BOOK 45 yet tried one another's Strength, and confidering "them as Equals, there would be more likelihood " of agreeing on terms: whereas, if one of them " once got the fuperiority, he would exact every thing from the other, and give up nothing. "That as hitherto they had been unable to settle "the Conditions of Peace, they ought to refer "them to the Decision of the Senate and People of Rome; and in the mean time, to obtain a free 45 and unbiassed Judgment, both swear to disband " their Armies in three Days time. That when "they were once divested of their national and auxiliary Forces, in which their whole Confi-" dence lay, they would find themselves under a " necessity of submitting to the Decree of the Se-" nate and People. In fine, that to give Pompey a " proof of his readiness to perform these Propo-" fals, he would give immediate Orders for the " Discharge of all his Forces, both in Garrison " and in the Field."

> IX. VIBULLIUS having received these Instructions, thought it necessary to give Pampey speedy notice of Cæsar's Arrival, that he might be provided against that event, before he laid open the Commission he was charged with. Accordingly journeying Day and Night, and frequently changing Horses for the greater Expedition, he at length got to Pompey, and informed him that Cafar was approaching with all his Forces. Pompey was at that time in Candavia, from whence he was marching through Macedonia, to his Winter-quarters Apollonia and Dyrrhachium. Concerned at this unexpected News, he hastened his March to Apollonia. to prevent Casar's making himself master of the Sea-coasts. Mean-while Casar having landed his Forces, marched the same Day to Oricum. Upon his

his Arrival there, L. Torquatus, who commanded BOOK in the Town for Pompey, with a Garrison of Parthinians, ordered the Gates to be shut, and the Greeks to repair to their Arms, and man the Walls. But they refusing to fight against the Authority of the People of Rome; and the Inhabitants, of their own accord, endeavouring to admit Cefar; Torquatus, despairing of Relief, opened the Gates, and furrendered both himself and the Town to Cefar, who readily granted him his Life.

X. CESAR having made himself master of Oricum, marched directly to Apollonia. Upon the report of his arrival, L. Staberius, who commanded in the Place, ordered Water to be carried into the Castle, fortified it with great care, and demanded Hostages of the Townsmen. They refused to comply; declaring they would not that their Gates against the Consul of the Roman People, nor prefume to act in contradiction to the Judgment of the Senate, and of all Italy. Staberius finding it in vain to resist, privately left the Place; upon which the Apollonians sent Deputies to Cafar, and received him into the Town. The Bullidenses, Amantiani, with the rest of the neighbouring Countries, and all Epirus, followed their Example; acquainting Casar by their Ambassadors, that they were ready to execute his Commands.

XI. MEAN-WHILE Pompey, having notice of what passed at Oricum and Apollonia, and being apprehensive for Dyrrhachium, marched Day and Night to reach the Place. At the fame time it was reported that Cafar was not far off; which meeting with the more credit, because of their hasty March, put the whole Army into such Consternation, that many abandoning their Colours in Epirus and the neigh-

BOOK neighbouring States, and others throwing down their Arms, every thing had the appearance of a precipitate Flight. But upon Pompey's halting near Dyrrbachium, and ordering a Camp to be formed: as the Army had not even then recovered its Fright, Labienus advanced before the rest, and swore never to abandon his General, but to share in whatever Lot Fortune should assign him. The other Lieutenants did the same, as likewise the military Tribunes and Centurions, whose Example was followed by the whole Army. Cafar finding that he was prevented in his Design upon Dyrrbachium, pursued his March more leifurely, and encamped on the River Apfus, in the Territories of the Apollonians, that he might protect the Possessions of a State which had so warmly declared in his favour. Here he resolved to pass the Winter in Tents, and wait the arrival of the rest of his Legions out of Italy. Pompey did the like, and having encamped on the other side of the Apsus, assembled there all his Legions and Auxiliaries.

XII. KALENUS having embarked the Legions and Cavalry at Brundusum, according to the Instructions he had received, put to Sea with his whole Fleet; but had not sailed very far, 'till he was met by Letters from Cæsar, informing him, that all the Grecian Coasts were guarded by the Enemy's Fleet. Upon this he recalled his Ships, and returned again into the Harbour. Only one continued its Rout, which carried no Soldiers, nor was subject to the Orders of Kalenus, but belonged to a private Commander. This Vessel arriving before Oricum, sell into the hands of Bibulus, who not sparing the very Children, put all on board to death, both Freemen and Slaves. So much did the safety of the whole Army depend upon a single Moment.

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XIII. BIBULUS, as we have related above, lay BOOK at Oricum with his Fleet; and as he deprived Cafar of all Supplies by Sea, fo was he in like manner greatly incommoded by Casar at land: who having disposed Parties along the Coast, hindered him from getting Water or Wood, or coming near the Shore. This was attended with many Inconveniencies, and threw him into great Straits; infomuch that he was obliged to fetch all his other Necessaries, as well as Wood and Water, from the Island of Corcyra: and once, when foul Weather prevented his receiving Refreshments from thence, the Soldiers were necessitated, for want of Water, to collect the Dew which in the Night fell on the Hides that covered their Ships. Yet he bore all these Difficulties with furprizing Firmness, and continued refolute in his Design of not unguarding the Coast. But at last, being reduced to the above-mentioned Extremity, and Libo having joined him, they called from on board to M. Acilius and Statius Murcus, two of Cafar's Lieutenants, one of whom guarded the Walls of Oricum, and the other the Sea-Coasts; that they wanted to confer with Casar, about Affairs of the greatest Consequence, if they could but have an Opportunity. To gain the more credit, they let fall fome Expressions that feemed to promife Accommodation; and in the mean-while demanded and obtained a Truce: for Murcus and Acilius believing their Proposals to be ferious, knew how extremely grateful they would be to Cafar, and doubted not but Vibullius had fucceeded in his Negotiation.

XIV. Cæsar was then at Buthrotum, a Town over-against Corcyra, whither he was gone with one Legion, to reduce some of the more distant States, and

BOOK and supply himself with Corn, which then began to be scarce. Here receiving Letters from Acilius and Murcus, with an account of Libo and Bibulus's Demands, he left the Legion, and returned to Ori-Upon his arrival, he invited them to a Conference. Libo appeared, and made an Apology for Bibulus: "That being naturally hafty, and " bearing a personal Grudge to Casar, contracted " during the time of his Ædileship and Quæstor-66 ship, he had for that Reason declined the Inter-" view; to prevent any Obstructions from his pre-" sence to the success of so desirable and disadvantageous a Defign: That Pompey was, and ever 46 had been inclined to lay down his Arms, and 46 terminate their Differences by an Accommoda-"tion: but as yet had not fent him sufficient Pow-" ers to treat, which however he doubted not foon " to receive, as the Council had intrusted him with the whole Administration of the War: "That if he would therefore make known his De-" mands, they would fend them to Pompey, who would foon come to a Resolution upon their Reoresentations. In the mean time the Truce " might continue, and both Parties abstain from " acts of Hostility, 'till an Answer could be ob-" tained." He added something about the Justice of their Cause, and their Forces both natural and auxiliary; to which Cafar neither at that time returned any Answer, nor do we now think it of importance enough to be transmitted to Posterity. Cafar's Demands were: "That he might have " leave to fend Ambassadors to Pompey; and that "they would either stipulate for their return, or " undertake themselves to convey them in safety: "That with regard to the Truce; such were the " present Circumstances of the War, that their "Fleet kept back his Supplies and Transports,

" and his Forces deprived them of Water and ac-BOOK " cess to the Shore. If they expected any abatement on his fide, they must likewise abate in " guarding the Coast; but if they still persisted in " their former Vigilance, neither would he yield in what depended on him: That notwithstand-"ing, the Accommodation might go forward, " without any Obstruction from this mutual De-" nial." Like declined receiving Caefat's Ambasfadors, or undertaking for their fafe Return, and chose to refer the whole matter to Pompey; yet infifted on the Truce. Cafar perceiving, that the only Aim of the Enemy was, to extricate them-: selves out of their present Straits and Danger; and that it was in vain to entertain any hopes of Peace: turned all his thoughts to the vigorous Profesution of the War.

XV. BIBULUS having kept at Sea for many Days, and contracted a dangerous Illness by the Cold and perpetual Fatigue; as he could neither have proper Assistance on board, nor would be prevailed upon to quit his Post; he at last sunk under the weight of his Distemper. After his Death, no-body succeeded in the Command of the whole Fleet; but each Squadron was governed, independently of the rest, by its particular Commander.

XVI. WHEN the Surprise occasioned by Casar's sudden Arrival was over; Vibillius, in presence of Libo, L. Lucceius, and Theophanes, who were among Pompey's most intimate Counsellors, resolved to deliver the Commission he had received from Casar. But scarce had he begun to speak, when Pompey interrupted him, and ordered him to proceed no farther. "What, says he, is my Life or Country to me, if I shall seem to be beholden to Casar for Vol. II.

BOOK" them? And will it be believed that I am not inIII. "debted to him for them, if he, by an Accom"modation, reftores me to Italy?" Cafar was informed of this Speech, after the Conclusion of the
War, by those who were present when it was delivered: he still continued however, by other Methods, to try to bring about an Accommodation.

XVII. As the two Camps were only separated by the River Apfus, the Soldiers had frequent Difcourse among themselves; and it was settled by mutual Confent, that no act of Hostility should pass during the Conferences. Casar taking advantage of this Opportunity, fent P. Vatinius, one of his Lieutenants, to forward to the utmost an Accommodation; and to demand frequently with a loud Voice, "Whether it might not be permitted " to Citizens, to fend Deputies to their Fellow-"Citizens about Peace: That this had never been " denied even to Fugitives and Robbers, and could " much less be opposed, when the only design was, " to prevent the Effusion of civil Blood." and much more he faid, with a fubmissive Air, as became one employed to treat for his own and the common Safety. He was heard with great Silence by both Parties, and received this Answer from the Enemy. " That A. Varro had declared he would " next day appear at an Interview, whither the "Deputies of both Parties might come in perfect ecurity, and mutually make known their De-" mands." The Hour of meeting was likewise fettled; which being come, Multitudes on both fides flocked to the Place, the greatest Expectations were formed, and the Minds of all feemed intent upon Peace. T. Labienus, advancing from the Croud, began in a low Voice to confer with Vatinius, as if to settle the Articles of the Treaty. But their Discourse was soon interrupted by a multitude BOOK of Darts that came pouring in on all sides. Vatimus escaped the Danger by means of the Soldiers, who protected him with their Shields; but Cornelius Balbus, M. Plotius, L. Tiburtus, Centurions, and some private Men were wounded. Labienus then listed up his Voice, and cried: "Leave off prating of an Accommodation: for you must not expect Peace, 'till you bring us Casar's Head."

XVIII. ABOUT the same time M. Calius Rufus, Prætor at Rome for foreign Affairs, having undertaken the cause of the Debtors; on his entrance into his Office, ordered his Tribunal to be fixed near that of the City Prætor C. Trebonius; and promised to receive the Complaints of fuch as should appeal to him, in regard to the Estimation and Payments, made in consequence of Cæsar's late Regulation. But fuch was the Equity of the Decree, and the Humanity of Trebonius, who in so nice and critical an Affair, thought it necessary to conduct himself with the utmost Clemency and Moderation, that no pretence of Appeal could be found. plead Poverty, personal Losses, the hardness of the Times, and the difficulty of bringing their Effects to fale, is usual enough even with reasonable Minds: but to own themselves indebted, and yet aim at keeping their Possessions entire, would have argued a total want both of Honesty and Shame. cordingly not a Man was found who made any fuch Demand. Calius's whole Severity, therefore, was pointed against those, to whom the Inheritance of the Debtor was adjudged: and having once embarked in the Affair, that he might not feem to have engaged himself to no purpose in an unjustisiable Cause, he published a Law, by which he alBOOK lowed the Debtors fix Years for the discharge of HI. their Debts, which they were to clear at equal Payments, without Interest.

XIX. But the Conful Servilius, and the rest of the Magistrates opposing the Law; when he found it had not the effect he expected, he thought proper to drop that Delign; and in the view of inflaming the People, proposed two new Laws; the one, to exempt all the Tenants in Rome from paying Rents; the other, for a general Abolition of Debts. This Bait took with the Multitude; and Calius at their head, came and attacked Trebonius on his Tribunal, drove him thence, and wounded some about him. The Conful Servilius reported these things to the Senate, who interdicted to Calius the Functions of his Office. In confequence of this Decree, the Consul refused him admittance into the Senate, and drove him out of his Tribunal, when he was going to harangue the People. Overwhelmed with Shame and Refentment, he openly threatned to carry his Complaints to Casar; but privately gave notice to Mile, who had been banished for the Murder of Clodius, to come into Italy, and join him with the remains of the Gladiators, which he bought formerly to entertain the People with, in the Shows he gave them. With this view he sent him before to Turinum, to folicit the Shepherds to take Arms, and went himself to Casilinum; where hearing that his Arms and Enfigns had been seized at Capua, his Partizans at Naples, and their design of betraying the City discovered: finding all his Projects defeated, the Gates of Capua shut against him, and the Danger increasing every Moment, because the Citizens had taken Arms, and began to consider him as a publick Enemy; he defisted from the Project he had formed, and thought proper to change his BOOK Rout.

XX. In the mean time Milo, having dispatched Letters to all the Colonies and free Towns, intimating that what he did was in virtue of Pompey's Authority, who had fent him his Orders by Bibulus, endeavoured to draw over the Debtors to his Party. But not fucceeding in his Design, he contented himself with setting some Slaves at liberty, and with them marched to besiege Cosa, in the Terri-Q. Padius the Prætor, with a tory of Turinum. Garrison of one Legion, commanded in the Town; and here Milo was flain by a Stone from a Machine on the Walls. Calius giving out that he was gone to Cafar, came to Thurium; where endeavouting to debauch the Inhabitants, and corrupt by promiles of Money the Spanish and Gaulish Horse, whom Cafar had fent thither to garrison the Place, they flew him. Thus these dangerous Beginnings, that by reason of the multiplicity of Assairs wherewith the Magistrates were distracted; and the ticklish fituation of the Times, threatned great Revolutions, and alarmed all Italy, were brought to a fafe and speedy issue.

XXI. Libo leaving Oricum, with the Fleet in der his Command, confifting of fifty Sail, came to Brundufium, and possessed himself of an Island directly facing the Harbour; judging it of more consequence to secure a Post, by which our Transports must necessarily pass, than guard all the Coasts and Havens on the other side. As his Arrival was unexpected, he surprised and burnt some Transports, and carried off a Vessel loaden with Corn. The Consternation was great among our Men; insomuch that having landed some Foot, with a Party

BOOK of Archers, in the Night, he defeated our Guard III. of Cavalry; and had so far the Advantage by the Commodiousness of his Post, that he writ Pompey word, he might draw the rest of the Navy on Shore, and order them to be careen'd; for he alone, with his Squadron, would undertake to cut off Casar's Supplies.

XXII. Antony was then at Brundusum; who confiding in the Valour of the Troops, ordered some Boats belonging to the Fleet to be armed with Hurdles and Galleries; and having filled them with chosen Troops, disposed them in several Places along the Shore. At the fame time he fent two three-bench'd Gallies, which he had caused to be built at Brundusium, to the mouth of the Harbour, as if with defign to exercise the Rowers. ceiving them advance boldly, and hoping he might be able to intercept them, detached five Quadriremes for that Purpose. At their Approach, our Men rowed towards the Harbour; whither the Enemy, eager of the Pursuit, inconsiderately followed them: for now Antony's armed Boats, upon a Signal given, came pouring upon them from all Parts; and on the very first Onset took a Quadrireme, with all the Soldiers and Sailors on board, and forced the rest to an ignominious Flight. add to this Difgrace, the Cavalry, which Antony had posted all along the Coast, hindered the Enemy from watering; which reduced them to fuch Straits, that Libo was forced to quit the Blockade of Brundusium, and retire with his Fleet.

XXIII. Several Months had now passed, the Winter was almost over; mean-time neither the Ships nor Legions were yet arrived, which Casar expected from Brundusum. He could not help think-

thinking that some Opportunities had been lost, as BOOK it was certain the Wind had many times offered fair, and there was a necessity of trusting to it at last. The longer the Delay in sending over the Troops, the more vigilant and alert were the Enemy in guarding the Coast, and the greater their Confidence to hinder the Passage; nay Pompey, in his Letters, frequently reproached them, that as they had not prevented the first Embarkation, they ought at least to take care that no more of the Troops got over; and the Season itself was becoming less favourable, by the Approach of milder Weather, when the Enemy's Fleet would be able to act and extend itself. For these Reasons Casar writ sharply to his Lieutenants at Brundussum, charging them not to omit the first Opportunity of sailing, as foon as the Wind offered fair; and to steer for the Coast of Apollonia, which they could approach with less danger, as it was not so strictly guarded by the Enemy, who were afraid of venturing on a Coast so ill provided with Havens.

XXIV. THE Lieutenants roused and emboldened by these Letters, and encouraged by the Exhortations of the Troops themselves, who professed they were ready to face any Danger for Cæfar's fake, embarked under the Direction of M. Antony, and Fufus Kalenus; and fetting sail with the Wind at South, passed Apollonia and Dyrrbachium next Day. descried from the Continent, C. Capenius, who commanded the Rhodian Squadron at Dyrrhachium, out out to Sea; and the Wind flackening upon our Fleet, it was near falling into the hands of the Enemy; but a fresh Gale springing up at South, faved us from that Danger. Caponius however defisted not from the Pursuit, hoping by the Labour and Perseverance of the Mariners, to surmount the

BOOK the Violence of the Tempest; and though we had passed Dyrrbachium with a very hard Gale, still continued to follow us. Our Men apprehensive of an Attack, should the Wind again chance to slacken, feized an Advantage Fortune threw in their way, and put into the Port of Nymphaum, about three Miles beyond Lissus. This Port is sheltered from the South-west Wind, but lies open to the South: but they preferred the Hazard they might be exposed to by the Tempest, to that of fighting. that Instant, by an unusual Piece of good Fortune, the Wind, which for two Days had blown from the South, changed to the South-west. This was a sudden and favourable turn: for the Fleet fo lately in Danger from the Enemy, was sheltered in a safe commodious Port: and that which threatened ours with Destruction, was in its turn exposed to the By this unexpected Change, the utmost Peril. Storm, which protected our Fleet, beat so furiously on the Rhodian Gallies, that they were all, to the Number of fixteen, broke to pieces against the Shore. Most of the Soldiers and Mariners perished among the Rocks; the rest were taken up by our Men, and fent by Cafar's Orders to their several Homes.

XXV. Two of our Transports, unable to keep up with the rest, were overtaken by the Night; and not knowing where the Fleet had put in, cast Anchor over-against Liss. Otacilius Crassus, who commanded in the Place, sent out some Boats and small Vessels to attack them: at the same time he urged them to a surrender, promising Quarter to such as would submit. One of these Vessels carried two hundred and twenty new raised Soldiers; the other less than two hundred Veterans. On this Occasion appeared, how great a desence against Danger

Danger results from Firmness of Mind. The new BOOK Levies, frighted at the Number of their Adversaries, and fatigued with Sea-fickness, surrendered on promise of their Lives. But when they were brought to Otacilius, regardless of the Oath he had taken, he ordered them all to be cruelly flain in his The Veterans, on the contrary, though they had both the Storm and a leaky Vessel to struggle with, abated nothing of their wonted Bravery; but having spun out the time till Night, under pretence of treating, obliged the Pilot to run the Vessel ashore; where finding an advantageous Post, they continued the remainder of the Night. At day-break Otacilius detached against them about four hundred Horse, who guarded that Part of the Coast, and pursued them Sword in hand: but they defended themselves with great Bravery, and having flain some of the Enemy, rejoined, without loss, the rest of the Troops.

XXVI. Up on this the Roman Citizens inhabiting Lissus, to whom Cafar had before made a Grant of the Town, after fortifying it with great care, opened their Gates to Antony, and furnished him with every thing he stood in need of. Otacilius, dreading the Consequences of this Revolution, quitted the Place, and fled to Pompey. Antony having landed his Troops, which confifted of three veteran Legions, one new raised, and eight hundred Horse, sent most of the Transports back again to Brundustum, to bring over the rest of the Foot and Cavalry; retaining nevertheless some Ships of Gaulish Structure, that if Pompey, imagining Italy destitute of Troops, should attempt to return thither, as was commonly rumoured, Casar might be able to follow him. the fame time he gave Cæsar speedy Notice of the Number BOOK Number of Forces he had brought over with him, III. and the Place where he had landed.

XXVII. This Intelligence reached Cafar and Pompey much about the same time; for both had feen the Fleet pass Apollonia and Dyrrhachium, and had in consequence directed their March that way: but neither knew, for fome Days, into what Harbour it had put. On the first News of Antony's landing, the two Generals took different Refolulions; Cafar, to join him as foon as possible; Pompey, to oppose his March, and, if possible, draw him into an Ambuscade Both quitted their Camps on the Apfus about the same time; Pompey, privately during the Night; Casar, publickly by Day. Cafar, who had the River to cross, was obliged to fetch a Compass, that he might come at a Ford. Pompey, on the other hand, having nothing to obstruct his March, advanced by great Journeys against Antony; and understanding that he was not far off, posted his Troops on an advantageous Ground, ordering them to keep within their Camp, and light no Fires, that his Approach might not be perceived. But Antony being informed of it by the Greeks, would not stir out of his Lines; and sending immediate Notice to Casar, was joined by him next Day. On Advice of Cæsar's Arrival, Pompey, that he might not be shut up between two Armies, quitted the Place; and coming with all his Forces to Asparagium, a Town belonging to the Dyrrbachians, encamped there on an advantageous Ground.

XXVIII. ABOUT the same time Scipio, notwithflanding some Checks he had received near Mount Amanus, assumed the Title of Emperor; after which he exacted great Sums of Money from the neighbouring States and Princes; obliged the Farmers

Farmers of the Revenue to pay the two Years'BOOK Taxes, which lay in their Hands, and advance a third by Way of Loan; and fent Orders to the whole Province for levying Cavalry. Having got a sufficient Number together, he quitted the Parthians, his nearest Enemies, who not long before had flain M. Craffus, and held Bibulus invested; and marched out of Syria with his Legions and Cavalry. When he arrived in Asia Minor, he found the whole Country filled with Terror on account of the Parthian War; and the Soldiers themselves declared, that they were ready to march against an Enemy, but would never bear Arms against a Conful, and their Fellow-citizens. To stiffe these Discontents, he made confiderable Presents to the Troops, quartered them in Pergamus and other rich Towns, and gave up the whole Country to their Discretion. Mean-while the Money demanded of the Province was levied with great Rigor; and various Pretences were devised, to serve as a Ground to new Exactions: Slaves and Freemen were subjected to a Capitation-Tax. Imposts were laid upon Pillars and Doors of Houses. Corn, Soldiers, Mariners, Arms, Engines, Carriages, in a word, every thing that had a Name, furnished a sufficient Handle for extorting Money. Governors were appointed not only over Towns, but over Villages and Castles; and he that acted with the greatest Rigor and Cruelty, was accounted the worthiest Man, and best The Province swarmed with Lictors, Overseers, and Collectors, who besides the Sums imposed by publick Authority, exacted Money likewise on their own Account; colouring their iniquitous Demands with a Pretence, that they had been expelled their Country and native Homes, and were in extreme want of every thing. Add to all these Calamities, immoderate Usury, an Evil almost

BOOK almost inseparable from War: for as great Sums are then exacted, beyond what a Country is able to furnish, they are obliged to apply for a Delay, which at any Price is still accounted a Favour. Thus the Debts of the Province increased considerably during these two Years. Nor were the Roman Citizens the only Sufferers on this Occasion; for certain Sums were demanded of every State and Corporation, as a Loan upon the Senate's Decree; and the Farmers of the Revenue were ordered to advance the next Year's Tribute, in like manner as when they first enter'd upon Office. Besides all this. Scipio gave Orders for seizing the Treasures of the Temple of Diana at Ephefus, with all the Statues of that Goddess. But when he came to the Temple attended by many Persons of senatorian Rank, he received Letters from Pompey, defiring him to lay afide all other Concerns, and make what Haste he could to join him, because Casar had passed into Greece with his whole Army. In consequence of this Order, he sent back the Senators who had been furnmoned to attend him at Epbelus, made Preparations for passing into Macedonia, and began his March a few Days after. Thus the Epbefian Treasures escaped being plundered.

XXIX. Casar having joined Antony's Army, and recalled the Legion he had left at Oricum, to guard the Sea-coast, judged it necessary to advance farther into the Country, and possess himself of the more distant Provinces. At the same time Deputies arrived from Thessay and Atolia, with Assureances of Submission from all the States in those Parts, provided he would send Troops to defend them. Accordingly he dispatched L. Cassus Longinus, with a Legion of new Levies, called the twenty-seventh, and two hundred Florse into Thessay;

faly; and C. Calvissus Sabinus, with five Cohorts, and BOOK fome Cavalry, into Ætolia; charging them in a particular Manner, as those Provinces lay the nearest to his Camp, that they would take care to furnish him with Corn. He likewise ordered Cn. Domitius Calvinus, with the eleventh and twelfth Legions, and five hundred Horse, to march into Macedonia: for Menedemus, the principal Man of that Country, having come Ambassador to Casar, had assured him of the Assection of the Province.

XXX. CALVISIUS was well received by the *Etolians*; and having driven the Enemies Garrisons from *Calydon* and *Naupastum*, possessed himself of the whole Country. *Cassius* arriving in *Thessaly* with his Legion, found the State divided into two Factions. *Egosaretus*, a Man in Years, and of established Credir, favoured *Pompey: Petreius*, a young Nobleman of the first Rank, exerted his whole Interest in behalf of *Casar*.

XXXI. About the same time Domitius arrived in Macedonia: and whilst Deputies were attending him from all Parts, News came that Scipio approached with his Legions, which spread a great Alarm through the Country; as Fame, for the most part, magnifies the first Appearances of Things. without stopping any where in Macedonia, advanced by great Marches towards Domitius; but being come within twenty Miles of him, suddenly changed his Rout, and turned off to Thessaly, in quest of Cassius Langinus. This was done fo expeditiously, that he was actually arrived with his Troops, when Cassius received the first Notice of his March: for to make the more Dispatch, he had left M. Favonius at the River Haliacmon, which separates Macedonia from Thessaly, with eight Cohorts to guard the Baggage

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BOOK of the Legions, and ordered him to erect a Fort there. At the same time King Cotus's Cavalry, which had been accustomed to make Inroads into Thessaly, came pouring upon Cassius's Camp; who knowing that Scipio was upon his March, and believing the Cavalry to be his, retired in a Fright to the Mountains that begirt Thessaly, and thence directed his Course towards Ambracia. Scipio preparing to follow him, received Letters from M. Favonius; that Domitius was coming up with his Legions, nor would it be possible for him to maintain the Post he was in, without his Assistance. upon this Intelligence, changed his Refolution, gave over the Pursuit of Cassius, and advanced to the Relief of Favonius. As he marched Day and Night without intermission, he arrived so opportunely, that the Dust of Domitius's Army, and his advanced Parties, were descried at the same time. Thus Domitius's Care preserved Cassius, and Scipio's Diligence Favonius.

> XXXII. Scipio continuing two Days in his Camp upon the Haliacmon, which ran between him and the Army of Domitius, put his Troops in motion on the third, and by Day-break forded the Early next Morning he drew up his Troops in order of Battle at the head of his Camp. Domitius was not averse to an Engagement; but as between the two Camps there was a Plain of fix Miles, he thought that the fittest place for a Field of Battle, and drew up his Men at some distance from Scipio's Camp. Scipio would not ftir from his Post; yet hardly could Domitius restrain his Men from advancing to attack him; tho' a Rivulet with steep Banks, that ran in the front of the Enemy's Camp, opposed their Passage. Scipio observing the Keenness and Alacrity of our Troops, and fearing

that next Day he should either be forced to fight BOOK against his Will, or ignominiously keep within his Camp; after great Expectations raised, by too hastily crossing the River, he saw all his Projects defeated; and decamping in great filence during the Night, returned to his former Station beyond the Haliacmon, and posted himself on a rising Ground, near the River. A few Days after, he formed an Ambuscade of Cavalry by Night, in a place where our Men were wont to forage: and when 2. Varus, who commanded the Horse under Domitius, came next Day according to custom; fuddenly the Enemy rose from their lurking Holes: but our Men bravely fustaining the Attack, soon recovered their Ranks, and in their turn vigorously charged the Enemy. About fourfcorce fell on this Occasion; the rest betook themselves to slight, and our Men returned to their Camp with the loss of only two of their Number.

XXXIII. AFTER this Rencounter, Domitius hoping to draw Scipio to a Battle, feigned to decamp for want of Provisions; and having made the usual Signal for retreating, after a March of three Miles, drew up his Cavalry and Legions in a convenient Plain, shrouded from the Enemy's view. preparing to follow, fent the Horse and light-armed Infantry before, to explore his Rout, and examine the Situation of the Country. When they were advanced a little way, and their first Squadrons had come within reach of our Ambush; beginning to suspect something from the neighing of the Horses, they wheeled about in order to retreat; which the Troops that followed observing, suddenly halted. Our Men finding that the Ambush was discovered, and knowing it would be in vain to wait for the rest of the Army, fell upon the two SquaBOOK Squadrons that were most advanced. M. Opimius, III. General of the Horse to Domitius, was amongst these, but some how sound means to escape. All the rest were either slain, or made Prisoners.

XXXIV. CÆSAR having drawn off his Garrisons from the Sea-coast, as we have related above a left three Cohorts at Oricum to defend the Town. and committed to their charge the Gallies he had brought out of Italy. Acilius, one of his Lieutenants, had the command of these Troops; who, for the greater Security, caused the Ships to be drawn up into the Harbour behind the Town, and made them fast to the Shore. He likewise sunk a Transport in the mouth of the Haven, behind which another rode at Anchor, on whole Deck a Tower was erected facing the Entrance of the Port, and filled with Troops, to be ready in case of surprife. Young Pompey, who commanded the Ægyptian Fleet, having notice of this, came to Oricum; weighed up the Vessel that had been sunk in the mouth of the Harbour; and after an obstinate Refistance, took the other, which had been placed there by Acilius to guard the Haven. brought forward his Fleet, on which he had raised Towers to fight with the greater advantage; and having furrounded the Town on all fides, attacked it by Land with scaling Ladders, and by Sea from the Towers, fending fresh Men continually in the place of those that were fatigued, and thereby obliging us to yield thro' Weariness and Wounds. At the same time he seized an Eminence on the other side of the Town, which seemed a kind of natural Mole, and almost formed a Peninsula overagainst Oricum; and by means of this neck of Land, carried four small Gallies upon Rollers into the inner part of the Haven. Thus the Gallies, that

that were made fast to the Land, and destitute of BOOK Troops, being attacked on all sides; sour were arrived off, and the rest burnt. This Affair dispatched, he lest D. Lælius, whom he had taken from the command of the Asiatic Fleet, to prevent the Importation of Provisions from Biblis and Amantia; and sailing for Lissus, attacked and burnt the thirty Transports which Antony had lest in that Haven. He endeavoured likewise to take the Town: but the Roman Citizens of that District, aided by the Garrison Cæsar had lest, desended it so well, that at the end of three Days, he retired without effecting his Purpose, having lost some Men in the Attempt.

XXXV. CÆSAR being informed that Pompey was at Asparagium, marched thither with his Army; and having taken the Capital of the Parthinians by the way, where Pompey had a Garrison; arrived the third Day in Macedonia, and encamped at a small distance from the Enemy. The next Day he drew out all his Forces, formed them before his Camp, and offered *Pompey* battle. Finding that he kept within his Lines, he led back his Troops, and began to think of pursuing other Measures. Accordingly, on the morrow, by a long Circuit, and thro' very narrow and difficult Ways, he marched. with all his Forces to Dyrrbachium; hoping either to oblige Pompey to follow him thither, or cut off his Communication with the Town, where he had laid up all his Provisions, and Magazines of War: which happened accordingly. For Pompey, at first, not penetrating his Design, because he counterseited a Rout different from what he really intended, imagined he had been obliged to decamp for want of Provisions: but being afterwards informed of the truth by his Scouts, he quitted his Camp next Vol. II.

BOOK Day, in hopes to prevent him by taking a nearer III. Way. Cofar suspecting what might happen, exhorted his Soldiers to bear the Fatigue patiently; and allowing them to repose during only a small part of the Night, arrived next Morning at Dyrrhaebium, where he immediately formed a Camp, just as Pempey's Van began to appear at a Diffance.

XXXVI. Pompey thus excluded from Dyrrbachium, and unable to execute his first Design, came. to a resolution of encamping on an Eminence called Petra, where was a tolerable Harbour, sheltered from some Winds. Here he ordered part of his Fleet to attend him, and Corn and Provisions to be brought him from Afia, and the other Provinces subject to his Command. Casar apprehending the War would run into length, and despairing of Supplies from Italy, because the Coasts were so strictly guarded by Pompey's Fleet; and his own Gallies, built the Winter before in Sicily, Gaul, and Italy, were not yet arrived; dispatched L. Canuleius, one of his Lieutenants, to Epirus for Corn. And because that Country lay at a great distance from his Camp, he built Granaries in feveral Places, and wrote to the neighbouring States to carry their Corn thither. He likewise ordered search to be made for what Corn could be found in Liffus, the Country of the Parthinians, and the other Principalities in those Parts. This amounted to very little; partly occasioned by the Soil, which is rough and mountainous, and obliges the Inhabitants often to import Grain; partly because Pempey forefeeing Cæsar's Wants, had some Days before ravaged the Country of the Parthinians, plundered their Houses, and by means of his Cavalry carried off all their Corn.

XXXVII. For these Reasons Casar formed a BQ-OK Project, which the very nature of the Country fuggested. All round Pompey's Camp, at a small distance, were high and steep hills. Casar took possession of those Hills, and built Forts upon them; resolving, as the nature of the Ground would allow, to draw Lines of Communication from one Fort to another, and inclose Pompey within his Works. His views herein were; first, to facilitate the Passage of his Convoys, which the Enemy's Cavalry, which was very strong and fine, would no longer cut off; next, to distress this very Cavalry, for want of Forage; and lastly, to lessen the great Reputation and high Idea entertained of Pampey, when it should be reported all over the World, that he had suffered himself to be blockaded, and as it were imprisoned by Casar's Works; and durst not hazard a Battle to set himself at liberty.

XXXVIII. Pompey would neither leave the Sea and Dyrrbachium, where he had all his Magazines and Engines of War, and whence he was fupplied with Provisions by means of his Fleet; nor could he prevent the Progress of Casar's Works without fighting, which at that time he was determined against. He could do nothing therefore but extend himself, by taking in as many Hills, and as large a Circuit of Country as possible, to give his Adversary the more trouble, and divide his Forces. This he did, by raising twenty-four Forts, which took in a Circumference of fifteen Miles, wherein were arable and pasture Lands, to feed his Horses and Beasts of Burden. And as our Men. had carried their Circumvallation quite round, by drawing Lines of Communication from Fort to D 2 Fort,

BOOK Fort, to prevent the Sallies of the Enemy, and III. guard against Attacks in their Rear; in like manner Pompey's Men had furrounded themselves with Lines, to hinder us from breaking in upon them, and charging them behind. They even perfected their Works first, because they had more Hands, and a less Circuit to inclose. When Casar endeavoured to gain any Place, Pompey, the determined not to oppose him with all his Forces, nor hazard a general Action, sailed not however to detach Parties of Archers and Slingers, who wounded great Numbers of our Men, and occasioned such a dread of their Arrows, that almost all the Soldiers furnished themselves with Coats of Mail, or thick Leather, to guard against that Danger.

XXXIX. BOTH Parties disputed every Post with great Obstinacy: Cafar, that he might inclose Pompey within as narrow a space as possible; and Pompey, that he might have liberty to extend himself: which occasioned many sharp Skirmishes. of these, Casar's ninth Legion having possessed themselves of an Eminence, which they began to fortify, Pompey seized the opposite Mount, with a Resolution to hinder their Works. As the Access on one fide was very easy; he fent first some Archers and Slingers, and afterwards a strong Detachment of light-armed Foot, plying us at the same time with his military Engines; which obliged our Men to defift, as they found it impossible at once to fustain the Enemy's Charge, and go forward with their Works. Cafar perceiving that his Men were wounded from all fides, refolved to quit the Place and retire. But as the Descent by which he must retreat was pretty steep, the Pompeians charged him brifkly in drawing off, imagining he gave way through fear. Pompey went so far as to say, " That

"That he consented to be accounted a General of BOOK no Merit, if Casar's Men got off without considerable Loss." Casar concerned about the Retreat of his Men. ordered Hurdles to be fixed on the Ridge of the Hill fronting the Enemy; behind which he dug a moderate Ditch, and rendered the Place as inaccessible as he could on all sides. When this was done, he began to file off the legionary Soldiers, supporting them by some lightarmed Troops posted on their Flanks, who with Arrows and Stones might repulse the Enemy. Pompey's Troops failed not to purfue them with great Outcries and fierce Menaces, overturned the Hurdles, and used them as Bridges to get over the Ditch. Which Cæfar observing; and fearing some Disaster might enfue, should he seem to be driven from a which he quitted voluntarily; when his Forces were got half down the Hill, encouraging them by Antony, who had the Command of that Legion, he gave the Signal to face about and fall on the Enemy. Immediately the Soldiers of the ninth Legion, forming themselves into close Order, lanched their Darts; and advancing briskly up the Hill against the Enemy, forced them to give ground, and at last betake themselves to slight: which was not a little incommoded by the Hurdles, Palisades, and Ditch, Casar had thrown up to stop their Pursuit. But our Men, who sought only to secure their Retreat, having killed several of the Enemy, and lost only five of their own Number, retired without the least disturbance, and inclosing some other Hills within their Lines, compleated the Circumvallation.

XL. This Method of making War was new and extraordinary; as well in regard to the Number of Forts, the Extent of the Circumvallation,

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BOOK the Greatness of the Works, and the Manner of At-III. tack and Defence; as on other Accounts. For whoever undertakes to invest another, is for the most part moved thereto, either by some previous Deseat he has fustained, the Knowledge of his Weakness, to take advantage of his Distresses, to profit by a Superiority of Forces; or, in fine, to cut off his Provisions, which is the most ordinary Cause of these Attempts. But Casar, with an inferior Force, besieged Pompey, whose Troops were entire, in good Order, and abounded in all things. Ships arrived every Day from all Parts with Provisions; nor could the Wind blow from any Quartet, that was not favourable to some of them; whereas Cafar's Army, having confumed all the Corn round about, was reduced to the last Neces-Nevertheless the Soldiers bore all with singular Patience; remembering, that though reduced to the like Extremity the Year before in Spain, they had yet, by their Affiduity and Perseverance, put an end to a very formidable War. They called to mind too their Sufferings at Alefia, and their still greater Distresses before Avaricum, by which however they triumphed over mighty Nations. When Barley or Pulse was given them instead of Corn, they took it chearfully; and thought themfelves regaled when they got any Cattle, which Epirus furnished them with in great abundance. They discovered in the Country a Root called Chara, which they pounded and kneaded with Milk, fo as to make a fort of Bread of it. This furnished a plentiful Supply; and when their Adversaries reproached them with their Want, by way of Answer to their Infults, they threw these Loaves at them.

XLI. By this Time the Corn began to ripen, and the Hopes of a speedy Supply supported the Soldiers

Soldiers under their present Wants. Nay they BOOK were often heard to fay one to another, that they would fooner live on the Bark of Trees, than let Pompey escape. For they were informed from time to time by Deserters, that their Horses were almost starved, and the rest of their Cattle actually dead: that the Troops themselves were very sickly; partly occasioned by the narrow Space in which they were inclosed, the Number and noisom Smell of dead Carcases, and the daily Fatigue to which they were unaccustomed; partly by their extreme Want of Water. For Cafar had either turned the Course of all the Rivers and Brooks that ran into the Sea, or dammed up their Currents. And as the Country was mountainous, intermixed with deep Valleys, by driving Piles into the Earth, and covering them with Mold, he stopped up the Course of the Waters. This obliged the Enemy to search for low and marshy Places, and to dig Wells, which added to their daily Labour. The Wells too, when discovered, lay at a confiderable Distance from some Parts of the Army, and were soon dried up by the Heat. Cafar's Army, on the contrary, was very healthy, abounded in Water, and had Plenty of all Kinds of Provision, Corn excepted, which they hoped to be foon supplied with, as the Season was now pretty far advanced, and Harvest approached.

XLII. In this new Method of making War, new Stratagems were every Day put in practice by both Generals. *Pompey's* Soldiers, observing by the Fires the Place where our Cohorts were upon Guard, stole thither privately by Night, and pouring upon them a Flight of Arrows, retired instantly to their Camp; which obliged our Men to have Fires in one Place, and keep Guard in another.

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XLIII.

BOOK XLIII. MEAN-WHILE P. Sylla, whom Cafar, at his Departure, had left to command the Camp, being informed of what passed, came to the Assistance of the Cohort with two Legions. His Arrival foon put the Pompeians to flight, who could not stand the very Sight and Shock of his Troops; but seeing their first Ranks broken, took to their heels, and quitted the Place. Sylla checked the Ardour of his Men, whom he would not fuffer to continue the Pursuit too far; and it was the general Belief, that had he purfued the Enemy warmly, that Day might have put an end to the War. His Conduct however cannot be justly censured; for the Difference is great between a Lieutenant and a General: the one is tied up to act according to Instructions; the other, free from Restraint, is at liberty to lay hold of all Advantages. Sylla, who was left by Cafar to take care of the Camp, was fatisfied with having disengaged his own Men; and had no Intention to hazard a general Action, which might have been attended with ill Consequences, would have looked like arrogating the Part of a General. The Pompeians found it no easy matter to make good their Retreat: for having advanced from a very disadvantageous Post to the Summit of the Hill, they had reason to sear our Men would charge them in descending; and the rather, as it was very near Sun-fet; for they had protracted the Affair almost 'till Night, in hopes of accomplishing their Design. Thus Pompey, compelled by Necessity, immediately took possession of an Eminence, at such a Distance from our Fort, as to be secure from Darts and military Engines. Here he encamped, threw up an Intrenchment, and drew his Forces together to defend the Place.

XLIV. At the same time we were engaged in BOOK two other Places; for *Pompey* attacked several III. Castles together, to divide our Forces, and hinder the Forts from mutually succouring one another. In one of these, *Volcatius Tullus*, with three Cohorts, sustained the Charge of a whole Legion, and forced them to retire. In the other, the *Germans*, sallying out of their Intrenchments, slew several of the Enemy, and returned again without Loss.

XLV. Thus there happened no less than fix Actions in one Day; three near Dyrrhachium, and three about the Lines. In computing the Number of the flain, it appeared, that Pompey loft about two thousand Men, with several Volunteers and Centurions, among whom was Valerius Flaccus, the Son of Lucius, who had formerly been Prætor of We gained fix Standards, with the Loss of no more than twenty Men in all the Attacks: but in the Fort, not a Soldier escaped being wounded; and four Centurions belonging to one Cohort, loft As a proof of the Danger they had been exposed to, and the Efforts they had fustained, they brought and counted to Cafar about thirty thousand Arrows that had been shot into the Fort; and shewed him the Centurion Scava's Buckler. which was pierced in two hundred and thirty Places. Cafar, as a Reward for his Services both to himfelt and the Republick, presented him with two. hundred thousand Asses, and advanced him directly trom the eighth Rank of Captains to the first; it appearing, that the Preservation of the Fort was chiefly owing to his Valour. He also distributed military Rewards among the other Officers and Soldiers of that Cohort; and affigned them double Pay, and a double Allowance of Corn.

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BOOK XLVI. Pompey laboured all Night at his Fortifications, raifed Redoubts the following Days, and having carried his Works fifteen Foot high, covered that Part of his Camp with Mantelets. Five Days after, taking advantage of a very dark Night, he walled up the Gates of his Camp, rendered all the Avenues impracticable; and drawing out his Troops in great Silence about Midnight, returned to his former Works.

XLVII. ÆTOLIA, Acarnania, and Amphilochis, having been reduced by Cashus Longinus, and Calvisius Sabinus, as we have related above; Casar thought it expedient to pursue his Conquests, and attempt to gain Achaia. Accordingly he dispatched Fufius Kalenus thither, ordering Sabinus and Cashus to join him, with the Cohorts under their Command. Rutilius Lupus, Pompey's Lieutenant in Achaia, hearing of their Approach, resolved to fortify the Isthmus, and thereby hinder Fusius from entering the Province. Delphos, Thebes, and Orchomenus, voluntarily submitted to Kalenus: some States he obtained by Force; and fending Deputies to the rest, endeavoured to make them declare for Cefar. These Negotiations found sufficient Employment for Fufius.

XLVIII. CÆSAR, mean-while, drew up his Army every Day, offering Pompey battle upon equal Ground; and, to provoke him to accept it, advanced so near his Camp, that his Van was within Engine-shot of the Rampart. Pompey, to preferve his Reputation, drew out his Legions too; but posted them in such a manner, that his third Line touched the Rampart, and the whole Army lay

hay under cover of the Weapons discharged from BOOK thence.

XLIX. WHILST these Things passed in Achaia and at Dyrrbachium, and it was now known that Scipio was arrived in Macedonia; Cafar still adhering to his former Views of Peace, dispatched Clodius to him, an intimate Friend of both, whom he had taken into his Service upon Scipio's Recommenda-At his Departure, he charged him with Letters and Instructions to this Effect: " That he had for tried all ways to bring about a Peace, but besee lieved he had hitherto miscarried, thro' the Fault of those to whom his Proposals were addressed. because they dreaded presenting them to Pampey at an improper Time: That he knew Scipio's "Authority to be fuch, as not only privileged him to advise freely, but even to inforce his Counfels, and compel the obstinate to hearken to Reason: That he was possessed of an independent Comso mand, and had an Army at his Disposal to give weight to his Interpolition: That in employing it for so desirable an end, he would gain the in-44 disputable Praise of having restored Quiet to " Italy, Peace to the Provinces, and faved the Empire." Clodius reported this Commission to Scipio, and at first met with a favourable Reception, but was afterwards denied Audience: Favonius having sharply reprimanded Scipio, as we learnt after the conclusion of the War, the Negotiation was discontinued, and Clodius returned to Cafar without Success.

L. Cæsar, the more effectually to shut up Panpey's Horse at Dyrrbachium, and hinder them from foraging, blocked up the two narrow Passes, of which we have spoken, with strong Works, and raised BOOK raifed Forts to defend them. Pompey finding his III. Cavalry rendered by this means unferviceable, conveyed them some Days after by Sea to his Camp again. Forage was so scarce, that they were forced to have recourse to the Leaves of Trees, and the Roots of green Reeds bruised: for the Corn sown within their Lines was all consumed; nor had they had any Supplies, but what came a long way about by Sea, from Corcyra and Acarnania; and even this was so inconsiderable, that to increase the Quantity, they were forced to mix it with Barley, and by these Contrivances support their Horses. At last, all Expedients being exhausted, and the Horses dying daily, Pompey thought it time to attempt to force the Barricade, and set himself at liberty.

LI. Among the Cavalry in Casar's Camp, were two Brothers, Allobrogians by Birth, named Roscilhus and Ægus, the Sons of Adbucillus, who had long held the chief Sway in his own State; Men of fingular Bravery, and who had been of fignal Service to Cæsar in all his Gallick Wars. For these Reasons he had raised them to the highest Offices in their own Country, got them chosen into the Senate before they were of Age, given them Lands in Gaul taken from the Enemy, besides pecuniary Rewards to a great Value, infomuch that from very moderate Beginnings they had rifen to vast Wealth. These Men were not only highly honoured by Casar on account of their Bravery, but in great Efteem with the whole Army. But prefuming on Cafar's Friendship, and foolishly elated with their Prosperity, they used the Troopers ill, defrauded them of their Pay, and secreted all the Plunder to their own Use. The Gaulish Cavalry, offended at these Proceedings, went in a Body to Cæsar, and openly complained of the two Brothers; adding, among

other Accusations, that by giving in false Musters BOOK they received Pay for more Men than they had. Cafar not thinking it a proper Time for Animadversion, and regarding them greatly on account of their Valour, declined all publick Notice of the Affair, and contented himfelf with reprimanding them in private; admonishing them to expect every thing from his Friendship, and to measure their future Hopes by the Experience of what he had already done for them. This Rebuke, however, difgusted them greatly, and very much lessened their Credit with the whole Army; which they easily perceived, as well from the Raillery they were often forced to bear, as in confequence of the fecret Reproaches and Sense of their own Minds. Thus prompted by Shame, and perhaps imagining they. were not cleared, but referved to a more favourable Opportunity; they resolved to desert, try their Fortune elsewhere, and search for new Friendships. Having imparted their Design to a few of their Clients, whom they judged fit Instruments for fo. black a Treason; they first attempted to murder C. Volusenus, General of the Cavalry, (as was afterwards known, when the War was over,) that by fo fignal a Piece of Service they might the more effectually recommend themselves to Pompey's Favour. But finding that Design attended with great hazard, and that no favourable Opportunity offered for putting it in execution; they borrowed all the Money they could, under pretence of reimburfing the Troops, and making Restitution; and having, bought up a great Number of Hories, went over to Pompey, with those whom they had made ac-. quainted with their Delign. As they were Persons, of noble Birth; liberally educated, came with a great Train of Horles and Servants, had been, highly honoured by Cafar, and were universally esteemed

BOOK effeemed on account of their Valour; Pompey carried them oftentatiously over all the Camp, tri-Щ umphing in this new and unufual Acquisition: for 'till then, neither Horse nor Foot-Soldier had deferted from Cæ/ar to Pompey; whereas scarce a Day passed without some Desertion from Pompey's Army especially among the new Levies in Epirus, Ætolia, and those Countries that had declared for Cafar. The Brothers being well acquainted with the Condition of Cesar's Camp, what was wanting to complear the Fortifications, where the Foible of the Lines lay, the particular Times, Distance of Places, Strength and Vigilance of the Guards, with the Temper and Character of the Officers who commanded in every Post, made an exact Report of all to Pompey.

> LII. Upon this Intelligence, having already formed the Design of forcing Cafar's Lines, he ordered the Soldiers to make Coverings of Ofier for their Helmets, and provide themselves with Fas-This done, he embarked by Night, in Boats and small Barks, a great Number of lightarmed Troops and Archers, with the Fascines for filling up Cafar's Trenches; and having drawn together fixty Cohorts from the greater Camp and Forts, led them about Midnight towards that Part of the Enemy's Lines nearest the Sea, a good Distance from the main Camp. Thither likewise he dispatched the Barks, on board of which were the light-armed Troops and Fascines, together with all the Gallies that lay at Dyrrbachium, giving each their particular Instructions. Lentulus Marcellinus the Quæstor, with the ninth Legion, had charge of this Part of the Fortifications; and as his Health was but infirm, Cafar had joined Fulvius Postbumus with him in the Command.

LIII. This Place was guarded by a Ditch fif-BOOK teen Foot broad, with a Rampart towards the Enemy ten Foot high, and of equal thickness. Behind this, at the Distance of six hundred Feet, another Rampart somewhat lower than the former, and fronting the contrary way. Cafar apprehending an Attack from the Sea, had raised this double Rampart fome Days before, that he might be able to defend himself against the Enemy, should they charge him on both fides at once. But the Extent of the Circumvallation, and the continued Labour of so many Days, in inclosing a Space of eighteen Miles, had not allowed us time to finish the Work. Accordingly the Line of Communication, which ran along the Sea-side, and was to have joined these two Ramparts, was not yet compleated. Pompey was informed of by the Allobrogian Brothers. which proved of fatal Confequence to us. while some Cohorts of the ninth Legion were upon Guard near the Sea, suddenly the Pompeians arrived about Day-break, and surprised them with their unexpected Appearance. At the same time the Troops that came by Sea, lanched their Darts against the outward Rampart, and began to fill up the Ditch with Fascines; while the legionary Soldiers, planting their Scaling-ladders against the inner Works, and plying those that defended them with Darts and Engines, spread a general Terror over that part of the Camp, which was still increased by the multitude of Archers that came pouring upon them from all sides. The Osiers they had bound round their Helmets, contributed greatly to defend them from the Stones thrown down from the Rampart, which were the only Weapons we At last, all things going against us, and our Relistance becoming every Moment more languid,

BOOK guid, the Enemy discovered the Defect before III. spoken of in our Lines; and landing their Men between the two Ramparts, where the Line of Communication towards the Sea remained unfinished, they attacked our Soldiers in the Rear, and obliged them to abandon both sides of the Works.

LIV. MARCELLINUS hearing of this Disorder, detached fome Cohorts to fustain the flying Troops: but as the Rout was become general, they could neither persuade them to rally, nor were able themselves to withstand the Enemy's Charge. The like happened to a fecond Detachment; infomuch that the feveral Supplies fent, by catching the general Terror, ferved only to add to the Confusion and Danger: for the Multitude of Runaways rendered the Retreat the more difficult. In this Action the Eagle-bearer of the ninth Legion, finding himself dangerously wounded, and that his Strength began to fail, called to some Troopers who passed by. and faid: " I have preserved, to the last Moment " of my Life, with the greatest Care, this Eagle, " with which I have been entrusted; and now I e am dying, I return it to Cæsar, with the same "Fidelity. Carry it to him, I befeech you; nor "fuffer Cæsar's Arms to experience, in losing it, " an Ignominy with which they have been hitherto " unacquainted." Thus the Eagle was preserved; but all the Centurions of the first Cohort were slain, except the first Captain of the Principes.

LV. And now the *Pompeians*, having made great Slaughter of our Men, approached the Quarters of *Marcellinus*, to the no small Terror of the rest of the Cohorts; when *Mark Antony*, who commanded in the nearest Redoubts, upon Notice of what passed, was seen descending from the higher Ground

Ground at the Head of twelve Cohorts. His Ar-BOOK rival put a Stop to the Enemy's Progress, and by enabling our Men to recover from their extreme Terror, restored them to their wonted Courage. Soon after Casar arrived in Person with some Troops, being apprised of the Attack by the Smoke of the Forts, the usual Signal on these Occasions: and perceiving the Loss he had sustained, and that Pompey had forced the Lines, being able to forage, and having an easy Communication with the Sea; he quitted his former Project, which had proved unsuccessful, and encamped as near Pompey as he could.

LVI. WHEN the Intrenchments were finished, Casar had notice from his Scouts, that a certain Number of the Enemy's Cohorts, which to them appeared a compleat Legion, were retired behind a Wood, and seemed to be on their March to the old The Situation of the two Armies was this: Some Days before, when Cafar's ninth Legion was fent to oppose a Body of Pompey's Troops, they thought proper to intrench themselves upon an opposite Hill, and form a Camp there. This Camp bordered upon a Wood, and was not above four hundred Paces from the Sea. But afterwards, for certain Reasons, Casar removed a little beyond that Post; and Pompey, a few Days after, took Possesfion of it. But as his Design was to place several Legions there; leaving the inner Rampart standing, he furrounded it with greater Works. Thus the smaller Camp, inclosed within one of larger Circumference, served by way of a Castle or Cita-He likewise carried an Intrenchment from the left Angle of the Camp to the River, thro' a Space of about four hundred Paces, which enabled him to water freely and without Danger. But he too. Vol. II.

BOOK soon after, changed his Mind, for Reasons which it is not needful to repeat here; and abandoned the Place, which thereby was left several Days without Troops, though the Fortifications remained entire. Hither the Scouts reported they saw the Standard of a Legion carried; which was likewise confirmed by those who were stationed in the higher Forts. The Place was about five hundred Paces distant from Pompey's new Camp. Cæsar desirous to repair the Loss he had sustained, and hoping he might be able to surprize this Legion, left two Cohorts in his Intrenchments, to prevent any Suspicion of his Design; and with thirty-three more, amongst which Number was the ninth Legion, which had loft many Centurions and Soldiers, marched by a different Rout, as privately as he could, against the Legion which Pompey had lodged in the leffer Camp. Neither was he deceived in his first Conjecture: for he arrived before Pompey could have notice of his Design; and tho' the Intrenchments were strong, yet charging the Enemy briskly with his left Wing, where he himself commanded in Person, he quickly drove them from the Rampart. But as the Gates were fecured by a Barricade, they still maintained the Fight here for some time, our Men endeavouring to break in, and the Enemy to defend the Camp. T. Pulcio, who betrayed the Army of C. Antony, as we have related above, gave fignal Proofs of his Valour on this Occasion. But our Men at last prevailed; and having cut down the Barricade, broke first into the greater Camp, and afterwards into the Fort within it, whither the Legion had retired. fome of whom were flain endeavouring to defend themselves.

LVII. But Fortune, whose Influence is very great, as in other things, so particularly in War; often

often effects mighty Changes from the most trifling BOOK Causes; as happened upon this Occasion. For the Cohorts of Cafar's right Wing being unacquainted with the Situation of the Camp, and mistaking the Rampart which led to the River for one of its Sides, marched on that way in quest of a Gate; but perceiving at length their Error, and that no-body defended the Intrenchment, they immediately mounted the Rampart, and were followed by the whole Cavalry. This Delay faved the Enemy: for Pompey having notice of what passed, brought up the fifth Legion to sustain his Party; so that at one and the same Instant, his Cavalry approached ours, and his Troops were feen advancing in Order of Battle, by those who had taken Possession of the Camp: which quickly changed the face of Affairs. For Pempey's Legion, encouraged by the Hope of freedy Succours, fallied by the Decuman Port, and brifkly charged our Cohorts. On the other hand, Cefar's Cavalry, who had entered by a narrow Breach in the Rampart, foreseeing that a Retreat would be extremely difficult, began betimes to think of flying. The right Wing, which had no Communication with the left, observing the Conthernation of the Cavalry, and fearing they should be overpowered within the Camp, retired the same Way they had entered. Many, to avoid being engaged in the narrow Passes, threw themselves from the Rampart, which was ten Foot high, into the Ditch; where the first Ranks being troden to death, their Bodies afforded a safe Passage to those that followed. The left Wing, who from the Rampart whence they had driven the Enemy, faw Pompey advancing against them, and their own Men flying; fearing to be entangled in the Defiles, as they had the Enemy upon them both within and without the Camp, retreated the same Way they came. Nothing

BOOK thing was to be feen but Consternation, Flying, and Disorder; insomuch that all Casar's Efforts to rally his Troops were fruitless. If he seized any by the Arm, they struggled till they got away. If he laid hold of the Colours, they left them in his Hands. Not a Man could be prevailed on to face about.

LVIII. In this Calamity, what faved the Army from entire Destruction was, that Pompey apprehending an Ambuscade (probably because the Success was beyond his Hopes, as a little before he had seen his Men worsted and put to slight) durst not for some time approach the Intrenchments; and his Cavalry were retarded in the Pursuit by Casar's Troops, who were possessed of all the Gates and Desiles. Be that as it will, a small Matter proved of very great Consequence to both Parties: for the Intrenchment between the Camp and the River, stopped the Course of Casar's Victory, when he had already forced Pompey's Lines: and the same, by retarding the Pursuit of the Enemy, saved his Army from Destruction.

LIX. In these two Actions, Cesar lost nine hundred and sixty private Men, thirty Officers, and several Knights of Note, as Flavius Tuticanus Gallus, a Senator's Son; C. Felginus of Placentia; A. Gravius of Puteoli; and M. Sacrativir of Capua. But the greatest Part of these died without Wounds, being troden to death in the Ditch, about the Works, and on the Banks of the River, occasioned by the Flight and Terror of their own Men. He lost also thirty-two Colours. Pompey was saluted Emperor on this Occasion; a Title which he bore ever after, and suffered himself to be accosted by: but neither in the Letters which he wrote.

nor in his Consular Ensigns did he think proper to BOOK assume the Laurel. The Prisoners were delivered III. up to Labienus at his own Request; and this Deserter, brutal and cruel as usual, diverted himself with insulting them in their Calamity; and asked them farcastically, if it was usual for Veterans to run away; after which he caused them all to be put to death.

LX. This Success gave such Confidence and Spirit to the Pomocian Party, that they now no longer took any concern about the Conduct of the War, but began to confider themselves as already They never reflected on the inconvictorious. fiderable Number of our Troops, the Disadvantage of the Ground, the narrow Passes we were engaged in by their having first Possession of the Camp, the double Danger both within and without the Fortifications, and the Separation of the two Wings of the Army, which hindered them from mutually fuccouring one another. They forgot that the Advantage they had gained, was not the Effect of a brisk and vigorous Attack; and that our Men had fuffered more by crouding upon one another in the narrow Passes, than by the Sword of the Enemy. In fine, they never called to mind the uncertain Chance of War, and upon what minute Causes good or bad Success often depend; how a groundless Suspicion, a panick Terror, or a religious Scruple, have frequently been productive of the most fatal Events; when either by the Misconduct of a General, or the Error of a Tribune, some false Persuasion has been suffered to take root in an Army. But as if the Victory had been purely the Effect of their Valour, and no Change of Fortune was to be apprehended, they every where pro-E 3

BOOK proclaimed and made publick the Success of this III. Day.

LXI. CASAR seeing all his former Projects difconcerted, resolved to submit to Fortune, and entirely change the Manner of the War. He therefore called in all his Forces from the Forts, gave up the Defign of inclosing Pompey, and having afsembled his Army, addressed them as follows: That they ought not to be discouraged, or give " way to Consternation upon what had lately hape pened, but oppose their many successful Engage-"ments to one flight and inconfiderable Check. "That Fortune had already befriended them great-"Iy, in the Reduction of Italy without Bloodshed; 44 in the Conquest of the two Spains, though defended by warlike Troops, under the Conduct of skilful and experienced Leaders; and in the Subjection of the neighbouring Provinces, 44 whence they could be plentifully supplied with " Corn. In fine, they ought to call to mind, how happily they had passed into Greece, through the midst of the Enemy's Fleets, though possessed of all the Coasts and Havens. If they were so not fuccessful in every thing, they must endeavour by Prudence to overcome the Disappoint-" ments of Fortune; and attribute their late Difse after to the Caprice of that Goddess, rather than to any Fault on their Side. That he had led 45 them to an advantageous Ground, and put them " in the Possession of the Enemy's Camp, after of driving them from all their Works. If either " fome fudden Consternation, the mistaking their "Way, or any other Mishap, had snatched an aps parent and almost certain Victory out of their Hands, they ought to exert their utmost Endea-" vours to repair that Disgrace; which would turn " their

66 their Misfortunes to a Benefit, as happened at BOOK "Gergovia; where those who at first dreaded to se encounter the Enemy, demanded earnestly in the end to be led to Battle." Having made this Speech, he contented himself with stigmatising, and reducing to private Men, some of the Standard-bearers: for the whole Army were fo grieved at their Loss, and so desirous of expunging the Stain their Glory had received, that there was no occasion either for the Tribunes or Centurions to remind them of their Duty: nay they even undertook to punish themselves by the severest Impositions, and demanded with great Outcries to be led against the Enemy; being seconded by some Centurions of the first Rank, who touched with their Remonstrances, were for continuing in the Post they then possessed, and putting all to the hazard of a Battle. But Cafar did not think it prudent to expose to an Action Troops that had been just worsted, and in whom might remain too deep Impresfions of their late Fright. He was for allowing them Time to recover themselves; and having quited his Works, thought it needful to provide for the Security of his Convoys.

LXII. Accordingly, after proper Care taken of the fick and wounded, and as foon as Night approached, he fent all the Baggage privately towards Apollonia, under a Guard of one Legion, with Orders not to halt 'till they had reached the Place. This Affair dispatched, he made two Legions remain in the Camp, and marching out all the rest about three in the Morning at several Gates, ordered them to follow the same Rout the Baggage had taken. Soon after, that his Departure might not have the Appearance of a Flight, and yet be known to the Enemy as late as possible, he ordered

BOOK the usual Signal to be given; and setting out with the rest of his Forces, lost sight of the Camp in a Moment. Pompey hearing of his Retreat, prepared to follow him without delay, and hoping to furprise the Army in its March, whilst incumbered with Baggage, and not yet recovered from its Consternation, drew out all his Troops, and sent his Cavalry before to retard our Rear: which however he could not overtake, because Casar marching without Baggage, had got a great way before him. But when we came to the River Genusus, we found the Banks fo steep and difficult, that before all the Men could get over, Pompey's Cavalry came up, and fell upon our hindmost Battalions. fent his Horse to oppose them, intermixed with fome light-armed Troops; who charged with that Vigour and Success, as to put them all to rout, leave a confiderable Number dead upon the Field, and return without Lois to the main Body of their Army.

> LXIII. HAVING compleated the intended March of that Day, and brought his Army over the Genusus, he took up his Quarters in his old Camp at Asparagium, suffering none of the Soldiers to stroll without the Rampart, and charging the Cavalry. who had been fent out under pretence of foraging, to return immediately by the Decuman Port. pey likewise, having compleated that Day's March, encamped at his old Post at Asparagium; where the Troops having nothing to do, because the Works were still entire; some made long Excursions in quest of Wood and Forage; others, who had come almost without any Baggage, by reason the March was undertaken on a sudden, enticed by the nearnefs of their former Camp, laid down their Arms in their Tents, quitted the Intrenchments, and went

went to fetch what they had left behind them. BOOK This rendering them unable to pursue, as Casar III. had foreseen; about Noon, he gave the Signal for decamping, led forth his Troops, and doubling that Day's March, gained eight Miles upon Pompey, who could not follow him by reason his Troops were dispersed.

LXIV. Next Day Cafar decamped again at three in the Morning, having fent away his Baggage over Night, that if he should find himself under a Necessity of fighting, he might have his Army clear of all Incumbrance. The same he did the following Days: by which means, tho' he had very difficult Ways to pass, and some great Rivers to cross, he suffered no Loss during the whole March. For Pompey, after the first Day's hindrance, endeavouring in vain by long and forced Marches to overtake Casar, gave over the Pursuit on the fourth, and began to think of taking other Measures.

LXV. CÆSAR was under a Necessity of going to Apollonia, to leave his wounded there, to pay his Army, confirm his Friends in their Duty, and garrison the Towns that had submitted. But he took no longer time to these Affairs, than the Importance of his other Engagements would allow. For fearing that Pompey might surprise Domitius Calvinus, he put himself in sull march to join him. The Scheme he proceeded on was this: that if · Pompey took the same Rout, he must leave the Sea, the Forces he had at Dyrrbachium, with all his Ammunition and Provision, which would bring them upon equal Terms: if he passed into Italy, Casar purposed to join Domitius, and march to its Defence by the Coast of Illyricum: in fine, should he

BOOKhe fall upon Apollonia and Oricum, and endeavour to exclude him from the Sea-coast; in that case he reckoned to oblige him, by attacking Metellus Scipio, to leave every thing to succour him. Casar therefore dispatched Couriers to Domitius, to acquaint him with his Design; and leaving four Cohorts at Apollonia, one at Lissus, and three at Oricum, with the fick and wounded, began his March thro' Epirus and Acarnania. Pempey on his fide, gueffing Casar's Design, made what haste he could to join Scipie; that if Cafar should march that way, he might prevent his being overpower'd: but should he still keep near Corcyra, and the Sea, because of the Legions and Cavalry he expected from Italy; in that case, he purposed to fall upon Domitius with all his Forces.

> LXVI. For these Reasons both Generals studied Dispatch, as well to afford timely Succour to their Friends, as not to miss an Opportunity of distressing their Enemies. But Casar had turned off to Apollonia; whereas Pompey took the nearest Way through Candavia for Macedonia. It happened too very unfortunately, that Domitius, who for several Days had been encamped near Scipio, quitted that Station for the convenience of Provisions, and was upon his march to Heraclea Sentica, a City of the Candavians; so that Chance seemed to throw him directly in Pompey's way, which Cuefar had not then the least knowledge of. Pompey too having fent Letters thro' all the States and Provinces, relating to the Action at Dyrrhachium, with Reprefentations that far exceeded the Truth; a Rumour began to prevail, that Cæsar had been defeated with the loss of almost all his Forces, and was forced to fly before Pompey. These Reports raised him many Enemies on his March, and induced fome States to throw

throw off their Allegiance; whence it happened, BOOK that the Couriers mutually sent by Casar and Domitius, were all intercepted. But the Allobrogians in the Train of Agus and Roscillus, who, as we have seen before, had deserted from Casar to Pempey, meeting some of Domitius's Scouts; either out of ancient Custom, because they had served together in the Gallick Wars; or from a motive of Vainglory; informed them of all that had passed; of Pompey's Victory, and Casar's Retreat. Advice been given of this to Calvinus, who was not above four Hours March from the Enemy, he avoided the Danger by a timely Retreat, and joined Casar near Aginium, a Town on the Borders of Thessay.

LXVII. AFTER the junction of the two Armies, Casar arrived at Gomphi, the first Town of The [aly, as you come from Epirus. A few Months before, the Inhabitants had of their own accord fent Ambassadors to Casar, to make an offer of what their Country afforded, and petition for a Gar-But the Report of the Action at Dyrrbachison, with many groundless Additions, had by this time reached their Ears. And therefore Androfthenes Prætor of Thessely, choosing rather to be the Companion of Pompey's good Fortune, than affociate with Cafar in his Adversity; ordered all the People, whether Slaves or free, to assemble in the Town; and having thut the Gates against Casar, fent Letters to Scipio and Pompey to come to his Affiftance, intimating: "That the Town was strong enough to hold out if they used Dispatch, but by no means in condition to sustain a long Siege." Scipio, on Advice of the Departure of the Armies from Dyrrbachium, was come to Larissa with his Legions; and Pompey was yet far enough distant from Thessaly. Casar having fortified his Camp,

BOOK ordered Mantelets, Hurdles, and Scaling-ladders to be prepared for a fudden Attack; and then exhorting his Men, represented; "Of how great " consequence it was to render themselves Masters " of an opulent City, abounding in all things need-" ful for the supply of their Wants, and by the 44 Terror of whose Punishment other States would be awed into Submission: and this, he told them, must be done quickly, before any Succours could " arrive." Accordingly, feizing the Opportunity offered by the uncommon Ardor of the Troops, he attacked the Town the same Day about three in the Afternoon; and having made himself Master of it before Sun-set, gave it up to be plundered. From Gomphi Cæsar marched directly to Metropolis, and arrived before they were acquainted with the Misfortune of their Neighbours.

> LXVIII. THE Metropolitans at first following the Example of Gomphi, to which they were moved by the same Reports, shut their Gates, and manned the Walls. But no fooner came they to understand the Fate of their neighbour City, by some Prisoners whom Cæsar produced for that end, than immediately they admitted him into the Town. He suffered no Hostilities to be committed, nor any Harm to be done them; and so powerful was the Example, from the different Treatment of these two Cities, that not a fingle State in Thessaly refused to submit to Casar, and receive his Orders, except Larissa, which was awed by the numerous Army of Metellus Scipio. As the Country was good, and covered with Corn, which was near ripe, Cafar took up his Quarters there, judging it a proper Place. to wait for Pompey in, and render the Theatre of the War.

LXIX. A few Days after Pompey arrived in BOOK Thessaly; and joining Metellus Scipio, harangued both Armies. He first thanked his own for their late Services; and then turning to Scipio's Troops. exhorted them to put in for their Share of the Booty, which the Victory already obtained gave them the fairest Prospect of. Both Armies being received into one Camp, he shared all the Honours of Command with Scipie, ordered a Pavilion to be erected for him, and the Trumpets to found before it. This Increase of Pompey's Forces, by the conjunction of two mighty Armies, raifed the Confidence of his Followers, and their Assurance of Victory to fuch a degree, that all Delays were considered as a Hindrance of their Return to Italy; informuch that if Pompey on any Occasion acted with Slowness and Circumspection, they failed not to cry out: " That he industriously protracted an Affair, " for the Dispatch of which one Day was sufficient. " in the view of gratifying his Ambition for Com-"mand, and having confular and prætorian Sena-"tors amongst the Number of his Servants." Already they began to dispute about Rewards and Dignities, and fixed upon the Persons who were annually to fucceed to the Confulship. Others sued for the Houses and Estates of those who had followed Calar's Party. A warm Debate arose in Council in relation to L. Hirrus, whom Pompey had fent against the Parthians, whether in the next Election of Prætors, he should be allowed to stand Candidate for that Office in his Absence; his Friends imploring Pompey to make good the Promise he had made him at his Departure, and not fuffer him to be deceived by depending on the General's Honour: while fuch as aspired at this Office complained publickly, that a Promise should be made to any one Candidate.

BOOK Candidate, when all were embarked in the fame Cause, and shared the like Dangers. Already Domitius, Scipio, and Lentulus Spinther, were openly quarrelling about the High-priesthood, which Cafar was in possession of. They even descended to perfonal Abuse, and pleaded their several Pretensions; Lentulus urging the Respect due to his Age; Domitius, his Dignity, and the Interest he had in the City; and Scipio his Alliance with Pompey. Attius Rufus impeached L. Afranius before Pompey, charging him with having occasioned the Loss of the Army in Spain. And L. Domitius moved in Council, that after the Victory, all the Senators in Pompey's Army and Camps, should be appointed Judges, and impowered to proceed against those who had stay'd in Italy, or who had appeared cool, or shewn any Indifference to the Caufe; and that three Billets should be given to these Judges, one for Acquittance, another for Condemnation, and a third for a pecuniary Fine. In a word, nothing was thought on but Honours, or Profit, or Vengeance; nor did they confider by what Methods they were to conquer, but what Advantage they should make of Victory.

LXX. CÆSAR having provided for the Subsistence of his Troops, who were now no longer fatigued, and had sufficiently recovered from the Consternation the different Actions at Dyrrbachium had thrown them into; thought it high time to make trial how Pompey stood affected to an Engagement. Accordingly he drew out his Men, and formed them in order of Battle; at first near his own Camp, and somewhat distant from the Enemy; but perceiving this had no effect on Pompey, who still maintained his Post on the Eminences, he each Day drew neaser, and by that Conduct animated

and gave fresh Courage to his Soldiers. His Caval-BOOK ry being much inferior to the Enemy's in Number, he followed the Method already mentioned; of fingling out the strongest and numbers of his Footfoldiers, and accustoming them to fight intermixed with the Horse; in which way of Combat they were become very expert by daily Practice. Disposition, joined to constant Exercise, so emboldened his Cavalry, that though but a thousand in Number, they would upon occasion sustain the Charge of Pompey's seven thousand, even in an open Plain, and appear not greatly difmayed at their Multitude: nay they actually got the better in a Skirmish that happened between them, and killed Ægus the Allobrogian, one of the two Brothers who deferted to Pompey, with feveral others of his Party.

LXXI. POMPEY, whose Camp was on an Eminence, drew up his Army at the Foot of the Mountain, expecting, as may be prefumed, that Cefar would attack him in that advantageous Situation. But Cafar despairing to draw Pompey to a Battle on equal Terms, thought it would be his best course to decamp, and be always upon the March; in hopes, that by frequently shifting his Ground, he might the better be supplied with Provisions; and that as the Enemy would not fail following him, in the frequent Marches he should make, he might perhaps find an Opportunity of attacking them, and forcing them to fight: at least he was sure of hatraffing Pompey's Army, little accustomed to these continued Fatigues. Accordingly the Order for marching was given, and the Tents struck, wheh Cefar perceived that Pompey's Army, which had quitted their Intrenchments, had advanced further towards the Plain than usual, so that he might engage them at a less Disadvantage: whereupon addreffing

BOOK dreffing himself to his Soldiers, who were just ready III. to march out of their Trenches; "Let us no "longer think, says he, of marching; now is the time for fighting, so long wish'd for; let us therefore arm ourselves with Courage, and not miss so favourable an Opportunity." This said, he immediately drew out his Forces.

LXXII. Pompey likewise, as was afterwards known, had resolved to offer Battle, in compliance with the repeated Importunities of his Friends. He even faid in a Council of War, held some Days before, that Cæsar's Army would be defeated before the Infantry came to engage. And when some express'd their Surprise at this Speech; "I know, " fays he, that what I promise appears almost incredible: but hear the Reasons on which I ground 46 my Confidence, that you may advance to Battle " with the greater Assurance. I have persuaded the Cavalry, and obtained their Promise for the e Performance, that as foon as the Armies are formed, they shall fall upon Cafar's right Wing, " which they will eafily be able to out-flank and " furround. This must infallibly occasion the im-66 mediate Rout of that Wing, and consequently " of the rest of Casar's Troops, without Danger " or Loss on our fide. Nor will the Execution be " attended with any Difficulty, as we are so much 66 fuperior to them in Horse. Be ready therefore " for Battle; and fince the fo much defired Op-66 portunity of fighting is come, take care not to 46 fall short of the good Opinion the World enterstains of your Valour and Experience." Labiemus spoke next; highly applauding this Scheme of Pompey, and expressing the greatest Contempt of Cæsar's Army: "Think not," says he, addressing himself to Pompey, "that these are the Legions which

"which conquered Gaul and Germany. I was prefent BOOK " in all thoseBattles, and can of my own Knowledge " affirm, that but a very small Part of that Army " now remains: great Numbers have been killed, " as must of necessity happen, in such a Variety of "Conflicts: many perished during the autumnal "Pestilence in Apulia: many are returned to their " own Habitations: and not a few were left behind " to guard Italy. Have you not heard, that the ⁶⁶ Cohorts in Garrison at Brundustum are made up of Invalids? The Forces which you now behold. are composed of new Levies raised in Lombardy, and the Colonies beyond the Po: for the Veterans, in whom confifted the main Strength of "the Army, perished all in the two Defeats at " Dyrrbachium." Having finished this Speech, he took an Oath, which he profered to all that were present, never to return to Camp otherwise than victorious. Pompey commended his Zeal, took the Oath himself, and the rest followed his Example without Hesitation. After these Engagements taken publickly in Council, they all departed full of Joy and Expectation; confidering themselves as already victorious, and relying entirely on the Ability of their General; who, in an Affair of that Importance, they were confident would promise nothing without Assurance of Success.

LXXIII. WHEN Cæsar approached Pompey's Camp, he found his Army drawn up in this manner. In the lest Wing were the two Legions delivered by Cæsar at the Beginning of the Quarrel, in consequence of a Decree of the Senate; one of which was called the first, the other the third Legion: and here Pompey commanded in Person. Scipio was in the Center, with the Legions he had brought out of Syria. The Cilician Legion, joined Val. II.

BOOK to the Spanish Cohorts brought over by Afranius, III. formed the right Wing. These Pompey esteemed his best Troops, distributing the less expert between the Wings and the main Body. He had in all an hundred and ten Cohorts, amounting to five and forty thousand; besides two Cohorts of Volunteers, who had served under him in former Wars; and who, out of Affection to their old General, though their legal time was expired, slocked to his Standard on this Occasion, and were dispersed amongst the whole Army. His other seven Cohorts were left to guard the Camp and the adjoining Forts. As the Enipeus, a River with very steep Banks, covered his right Wing, he placed all his Horse, Slingers, and Archers in the left.

LXXIV. CÆSAR observing his ancient Custom, placed the tenth Legion in the right, and the ninth in the left Wing. As this last had been considerably weakened by the feveral Actions at Dyrrbachium, he joined the eighth to it in fuch manner, that they formed as it were but one Legion, and had Orders mutually to relieve each other. His whole Army amounted to fourfcore Cohorts, making in all twenty-two thousand Men; besides two Cohorts left to guard the Camp. Domitius Calvinus was in the Center, Mark Antony on the left, and P. Sylla on the right. Cafar took his Post opposite to Pompey, at the Head of the tenth Legion. And as he had observ'd the Disposition of the Enemy contrived to out-flank his right Wing: to obviate that Inconvenience, he made a Draught of fix Cohorts from his Rear-line, formed them into a separate Body, and opposed them to Pempey's Horse; instructing them in the Part they were to act; and admonishing them, that the Success of that Day would depend chiefly on their Courage. fame fame time he charged the whole Army, and in par-BOOK ticular the third Line, not to advance to Battle without Orders; which, when he faw it proper, he would give by making the usual Signal.

LXXV. When he was exhorting them to Battle, as military Custom required, and reminding them of the many Favours they had on all Occafions received at his Hands, he chiefly took care to observe; "That they had themselves been Wit-" nesses of his earnest Endeavours after Peace; " that he had employed Vatinius to folicit a Confe-" rence with Labienus, and fent A. Clodius to treat with Scipio; that he had pressed Libo in the warm-" est manner at Oricum, to grant him a safe Con-" duct for his Ambassadors: in a word, that he " had left nothing unattempted to avoid wasting " the Blood of his Soldiers, and to spare the Com-"monwealth the Loss of one of her Armies." After this Speech, observing his Soldiers ardent for the Fight, he ordered the Trumpets to found 2 Charge. Among the Volunteers in Cafar's Army was one Crastinus, a Man of distinguished Courage. who the Year before had been first Centurion of the tenth Legion. This brave Officer, as foon as the Signal was given, calling to those next him : "Fol-" low me, faid he, you that were formerly under " my Command, and acquit yourselves of the "Duty you owe to your General. This one Battle of more will crown the Work, by restoring him " to his proper Dignity, and us to the Enjoyment " of our Freedom." At the same time turning to Cæsar, "General, says he, this Day you shall be " fatisfied with my Behaviour, and whether I live or die, I will take care to deferve your Com-66 mendations." So faying, he marched up to the Enemy: BOOK Enemy, and began the Attack at the head of a hun-III. died and twenty Volunteers.

> LXXVI. Between the two Armies there was an interval sufficient for the Onset: but Pompey had given his Troops Orders to keep their Ground, that Casar's Army might have all that Way to. This he is faid to have done by the Advice of C. Triarius, that the Enemy's Ranks might be broken, and themselves put out of Breath, by having so far to run; of which Disorder he hoped to make an Advantage. He was besides of Opinion, that our Javelins would have less Effect, by the Troops continuing in their Post, than if they sprung forward at the very time they were lanched; and as the Soldiers would have twice as far to run as usual, they must be weary and breathless by that time they came up with the first Line. But herein Pompey seems to have acted without sufficient Reafon; because there is a certain Alacrity and Ardor of Mind, naturally planted in every Man, which is inflamed by the defire of fighting; and which an able General, far from endeavouring to reprefs, will by all the Methods he can devise, foment and cherish. Nor was it a vain Institution of our Ancestors, that the Trumpets should found on every fide, and the whole Army raise a Shout, in order to animate the Courage of their own Men, and strike Terror into the Enemy. Cafar's Soldiers entirely defeated Pompey's Hopes by their good Discipline and Experience. For perceiving the Enemy did not stir, they halted of their own accord in the midst of their Career; and having taken a moment's Breath, put themselves a second time in Motion, marched up in good Order, flung their Javelins, and then betook themselves to their Swords. Nor did Pompey's Men act with less presence of Mind: for

for they sustained our Attack, kept their Ranks, BOOK bore the discharge of our Darts; and having lanched their own, immediately had recourse to their Swords. At this Instant Pompey's Horse, accompanied by the Archers and Slingers, attacked Cafar's; and having compelled them to give ground, began to extend themselves to the left, in order to flank the Infantry. Whereupon Casar gave the appointed Signal to the fix Cohorts, who fell on the Enemy's Horse with such Fury, that they not only drove them from the Field of Battle, but even compelled them to feek refuge in the highest Mountains. Archers and Slingers, deprived of their Protection. were foon after cut to pieces. Mean-while the fix Cohorts, not content with this Success, wheeled round upon the Enemy's left Wing, and began to charge it in the rear: whereupon Casar, perceiving the Victory so far advanced, to compleat it, brought up his third Line, which till then had not engaged. Pompey's Infantry being thus doubly attacked, in front by fresh Troops, and in rear by the victorious Cohorts, could no longer relift, but fled to their Camp. Nor was Cafar mistaken in his Conjecture, when in exhorting his Men, he declared that Victory would depend chiefly on the fix Cohorts, which formed the Body of Reserve, and were stationed to oppose the Enemy's Horse: for by them were their Cavalry defeated, their Archers and Slingers cut to pieces, and their left Wing furrounded and forced to fly.

LXXVII. POMPRY feeing his Cavalry routed, and that part of the Army on which he chiefly depended put into disorder, despaired of being able to restore the Battle, and quitted the Field. pairing immediately to his Camp, he faid aloud to the Centurions who guarded the Prætorian Gate, F 3 ſq

BOOK so as all the Soldiers might hear him: " Take " care of the Camp, and defend it vigorously in " case of an Attack. I go to visit the other Gates, " and give Orders for their Defence." This faid, he retired to his Tent, despairing of Success, yet waiting the Event. Cæsar having forced the Pompeians to feek refuge in their Camp, and not willing to allow them time to recover from their Consternation, exhorted his Troops to make the best of their present Victory, and vigorously attack the Enemy's Entrenchments. Tho' the Battle had lasted till Noon, the Weather being extremely hot; yet prepared to encounter all Difficulties, they chearfully complied with his Orders. The Camp was bravely defended for some time by the Cohorts left to guard it; and particularly by a great Number of Thracians, and other Barbarians, who made a very flout Refistance: for as to such Troops as had there fought refuge from the Field of Battle, they were in too great a Consternation to think of any thing more than a fafe Retreat. It was not however poffible for the Troops posted on the Rampart, long to stand the multitude of Darts continually poured upon them; which in the end obliged them to retire covered with Wounds, and under the Conduct of their Tribunes and Centurions, feek shelter in the Mountains adjoining to the Camp.

LXXVIII. On entering Pompey's Camp, we found Tables ready covered, Side-boards loaded with Plate, and Tents adorned with Branches of Myrtle; that of L. Lentulus, with some others, was shaded with Ivy. Every thing gave Proofs of the highest Luxury, and an affured expectation of Victory; whence it was easy to see, that they little dreamt of the Issue of that Day, since intent only on voluptuous Resinements, they pretended, with Troops

Troops immersed in Luxury, to oppose Casar's BOOK Army, accustomed to Fatigue, and inured to the III. Want of Necessaries.

LXXIX. Pompey finding our Men had forced his Intrenchments, mounted his Horse, quitted his Armour for a Habit more suitable to his ill Fortune, and withdrawing by the *Decuman* Port, rode sulf speed to *Larissa*. Nor did he stop there; but continuing his Flight Day and Night without Intermission, he arrived at the Sea-side with thirty Horse, and went on board a little Bark; often complaining, and went on board a little Bark; often complaining, of his Followers, as to see those very Men from whom he expected Victory, the first to fly, and in a manner betray him into the Hands of his Enemies."

LXXX. CÆSAR having mastered the Enemy's Camp, requested his Soldiers not to leave the Victory imperfect, by busying themselves about the Plunder. Finding them ready to obey, he began a Line of Circumvallation round the Mountain. The Pompeians quickly abandoned a Post, which, for want of Water, was not tenable, and endeavoured to reach the City of Larissa: whereupon Cesar, dividing his Army, left one part in Pompey's Camp, fent back another to his own Camp, and having with four Legions taken a nearer Road than that by which the Enemy passed, he found means to intercept them, and after fix Miles March drew up in order of Battle. But the Pompeians once more found Protection from a Mountain, at the foot of which ran a Rivulet. Tho' Cafar's Troops were greatly fatigued by fighting the whole Day, before Night he had flung up some Works, sufficient to · prevent the Enemy from having any Communication

BOOK tion with the Rivulet. As by this Step they were cut off from all Hopes of Relief, or of escaping, they fent Deputies to treat about a Surrender. fairs continued in this Situation all that Night, of which fome few Senators, who had accompanied them, took the advantage to make their Escape. At break of Day they all, by Cæsar's Order, came down into the Plain, and delivered up their Arms; humbly imploring his Goodness, and suing for Mercy. Cæsar spoke to them with great mildness, and to alleviate their Apprehensions, cited various Instances of his Clemency, which he had on fo many Occasions made evident. In fact, he gave them their Lives, and forbid his Soldiers to offer them any Violence, or to take any thing from them. He then fent for the Legions which had passed the Night in Camp, to relieve those that had accompanied him in the Pursuit; and being determined to follow Pompey, began his March, and arrived the same Day at Larista.

> LXXXI. This Battle cost Casar no more than two hundred Soldiers: but he lost thirty Centurions, Men of fingular Courage. Among these latter was Crastinus, whose Gallantry and Intrepidity, in marching up to Battle, has been taken notice of. This brave Officer, fighting regardless of Danger, received a Wound in the Mouth from a Sword. Nor was he deceived in promising himself Casar's Approbation, who was thoroughly fensible of his Merit, and greatly applauded his Behaviour in this Action. On Pompey's fide there fell about fifteen thousand: but upwards of four and twenty thoufand were taken Prisoners: for the Cohorts that guarded the Forts furrendered to Sylla; tho' many escaped into the adjacent Countries. One hundred and eighty Colours were taken, and nine Eagles. L. Do

L. Domitius flying towards the Mountains, and BOOK growing faint thro' the Fatigue, was overtaken and III. killed by some Horsemen.

LXXXII. ABOUT this time D. Lælius arrived with his Fleet at Brundusium, and possessed himself of the Island over-against the Harbour, as Libo had done before. Vatinius, who commanded in the Place, having equipped several Boats, endeavoured to entice some of Lalius's Ships within the Haven, and took a five-benched Galley, with two smaller Vessels, that had ventured too far into the Port: then disposing his Cavalry along the Shore, he prevented the Enemy from getting fresh Water. But Lalius having chosen a more convenient Season of the Year for failing, brought Water in Transports from Corcyra and Dyrrbachium; still keeping to his Purpose; from which neither the Disgrace of losing his Ships, nor the want of Necessaries could divert him, 'till he received Intelligence of the Battle of Pharsalia.

LXXXIII. Much about the same time Cassius arrived in Sicily, with the Syrian, Phanician, and Cilician Fleets. And as Casar's Fleet was divided into two Parts, in one of which P. Sulpicius the Prætor commanded at Vibo in the Straits; in the other M. Pomponius at Messana: Cassius was arrived at Messana with his Fleet before Pomponius had notice of his coming. And finding him unprepared, without Guards, Order, or Discipline, he took the Opportunity of a favourable Wind, and sent several Fire-ships against him, which consumed his whole Fleet, thirty-sive in Number, twenty of which were decked. The Terror occasioned by this Blow was so great, that the they durit scarce look

BOOK look the Enemy in the Face; and would doubtless have delivered up the Town, had not the News of Casar's Victory reached them, by means of the Cavalry stationed along the Coast. Cassius then sailed for Sulpicius's Fleet at Vibo; which finding at Anchor, near the Shore, by reason the Consternation was become general over the whole Island; he put the fame Stratagem in practice as before. For taking the advantage of a favourable Wind, he made forty Fire-ships advance against them, and the Flame catching hold on both fides, quickly reduced five Gallies to Ashes. The Conflagration continuing to spread, roused the Indignation of some veteran Soldiers, who had been left to guard the Ships. :Accordingly they went on board, weighed Anchor, -and attacking the Enemy, took two Quinqueremes, in one of which was Caffius himself; but he escaped in a Boat. Two three-benched Gallies were funk: and foon after he was informed of the Defeat at Pharsalia, by some of Pompey's own Followers; for hitherto he had regarded it as a false Report, fpread abroad by Casar's Lieutenants and Friends. Upon this Intelligence he quitted Sicily, and retired with his Fleet.

LXXXIV. CESAR laying all other Thoughts aside; determined to pursue Pompey, whithersoever he should retire, to prevent his drawing together fresh Forces, and renewing the War. He marched every Day as far as the Body of Cavalry he had with him could hold out, and was followed by shorter Marches by a single Legion. Pompey had issued a Proclamation at Ampbipolis, enjoining all the Youth of the Province, whether Greeks or Romans, to join him in Arms. But whether this was with intent to conceal his real Design of retreating much farther, or to try to maintain his Ground in Macedonia,

donia, if no body purfued him, is hard to deter-BOOK Here he lay one Night at Anchor, fending to what Friends he had in the Town, and raising all the Money he possibly could. But being informed of Casar's Approach, he departed with all Expedition, and came in a few Days to Mitylene. Here he was detained two Days by the badness of . the Weather; and having increased his Fleet with a few Gallies, failed to Cilicia, and thence to Cyprus. There he was informed, that the Antiochians, and Roman Citizens trading thither, had with joint confent seized the Castle, and sent Deputies to such of his Followers as had taken refuge in the neighbouring States, not to come near Antioch at their Peril. The same had happened at Rhodes to L. Lentulus the Conful of the foregoing Year, to P. Lentulus a consular Senator, and to some other Persons of Distinction; who following Pompey in his Flight, and arriving at that Island, were refused admittance into the Town and Harbour, and received an Order to withdraw immediately, which they were necesfitated to comply with; for the fame of Cæsar's Approach had now reached the neighbouring States.

LXXXV. Upon this Intelligence Pompey laid aside his design of going into Syria, seized all the Money he found in the publick Bank, borrowed as much more as he could of his Friends, sent great Quantities of Brass on board for military Uses: and having raised two thousand Soldiers, amongst the publick Officers, Merchants, and his own Servants, sailed for Pelusium. Here, by accident, was King Ptolemy, a Minor, warring with a great Army against his Sister Cleopatra; whom, some Months before, by the Assistance of his Friends, he had expelled the Kingdom, and was then encamped not

BOOK far distant from her. Pompey sent to demand his Protection, and a safe Retreat in Alexandria, confideration of the Friendship that had subsisted between him and his Father. The Messengers, after discharging their Commission, began to converse freely with the King's Troops, exhorting them to affift Pompey, and not despise him in his adverse Fortune. Among these Troops were many of Pompey's old Soldiers, whom Gabinius having draughted out of the Syrian Army, had carried to Alexandria, and, upon the conclusion of the War, left there with the young King's Father. King's Ministers, who had the care of the Government during his Minority, being informed of this: either out of Fear, as they afterwards pretended, lest Pompey should debauch the Army, and thereby render himself master of Alexandria and Egypt; or despising his low Condition, (as Friends in bad Fortune, often turn Enemies,) spoke favourably to the Deputies in publick, and invited Pompey to Court: but privately dispatched Achillas, Captain of the King's Guards, a Man of fingular Boldness, and L. Septimius, a military Tribune, with Orders to murder him. They accosted him with an Air of Frankness, especially Septimius, who had served under him as a Centurion in the War with the Pirates; and inviting him into the Boat, treacherously slew him. L. Lentulus was likewise seized by the King's Command, and put to death in Prison.

LXXXVI. WHEN Cafar arrived in Asia, he found that T. Ampius, having formed the design of seizing the Treasures of the Epbesian Diana, and summoned all the Senators in the Province to bear witness to the Sum taken, had quitted that Project upon Casar's Approach, and betaken himself to Flight. Thus was the Temple of Epbesus a second

time faved from Plunder by Cafar. It was remark-BOOK ed in the Temple of Minerva at Elis, that the very Day Casar gained the Battle of Pharsalia, the Image of Victory, which before stood fronting the Statue of the Goddess, turned towards the Portal of the The fame Day, at Antioch in Syria, fuch a noise of fighting and Trumpets was heard two several times, that the Inhabitants ran to Arms, and The like happened at Ptolemanned their Walls. At Pergamus, in the inner recesses of the Temple, called by the Greeks Adyta, where none but Priests are allowed to enter, the found of Cymbals was heard. And in the Temple of Victory at Trallis, where a Statue was consecrated to Casar, a Palm sprouted between the joining of the Stones that arched the Roof.

LXXXVII. CÆSAR, after a short stay in Asia, hearing that Pompey had been feen at Cyprus, and thence conjecturing that he was gone for Egypt, because of the Interest he had in that Kingdom, and the Advantages it would afford him; left Rhodes, with a Convoy of ten Rhodian Gallies, and a few others from Afia, having on board two Legions, one of which he had ordered to follow him from Thessaly, the other detached from Fusius's Army in Achaia, and eight hundred Horse. In these Legions were no more than three thousand two hundred Men: the rest, satigued with the length of the March, or weakened with Wounds, had not been able to follow him. But Casar depending on the Reputation of his former Exploits, scrupled not to trust the safety of his Person to a feeble Escort, believing no Place would dare to attempt any thing against him. At Alexandria he was informed of Pompey's Death: and upon landing, was accosted in a clamorous manner by the Soldiers, whom Ptolemy

BOOK Ptolemy had left to garrifon the City: and he obIII. ferved that the Mob appeared diffatisfied to fee the
Fasces carried before him, which they interpreted a
Degradation of the Sovereign Authority. Tho'
this Tumult was appeased, yet each Day produced
fome fresh Disturbance, and many of the Roman
Soldiers were murdered in all Parts of the City.

LXXXVIII. For these Reasons he sent into Asia for some of the Legions which he had raised out of the Remains of Pompey's Army; being himself necessarily detained by the Etesian Winds, which are directly contrary to any Passage by Sea from Alexandria. Mean-time considering the Difference between Ptolemy and his Sister, as subject to the Cognisance of the Roman People, and of him as Consul; and the rather, because the Alliance with Ptolemy the Father had been contracted during his former Consulship; he gave the King and Cleopatra to understand, that it was his Pleasure they should dismiss their Troops, and instead of having recourse to Arms, come and plead their Cause before him.

LXXXIX. POTHINUS the Eunuch, Governor to the young King, had the chief Management of Affairs during his Minority. This Minister complained bitterly to his Friends, that the King should be summoned to plead his Cause before Casar: asterwards sinding among those that sided with the King, some who were disposed to enter into his Views, he privately sent for the Army from Pelusium to Alexandria, and conferred the chief Command upon Achillas, the same we have spoken of before; inciting him by Letters and Promises, both in the King's Name and his own, to execute such Orders as he should receive from him. Ptolemy the Father,

by his Will, had appointed the eldest of his two BOOK Sons, and his elder Daughter, joint Heirs of the Kingdom. For the more certain Accomplishment of his Design, he in the same Will implored the Protection of the Roman People; adjuring them by all the Gods, and the Treaties he had made at Rome, to see it put in execution. A Copy of this Will was sent by Ambassadors to Rome, to be deposited in the publick Treasury; but the domestick Troubles preventing it, it was left in the hands of Pompey. The Original, signed and sealed, was kept at Alexandria.

XC. WHILE this Affair was debated before Cæfar, who passionately desired to terminate the Matter amicably, and to the Satisfaction of both Parties; he was informed that the King's Army, with all the Cavalry, were arrived at Alexandria. Cæsar's Forces were by no means sufficient to give Battle without the Town; and therefore the only Course left was, to secure the most convenient Posts within the City, 'till he should get acquainted with Achillas's Designs. Mean-time he ordered all the Soldiers to their Arms, and admonished the King, to fend fome Persons of the greatest Authority to Achillas, to forbid his Approach. Discorides and Serapion, who had both been Ambassadors at Rome, and in great Credit with Ptolemy the Father, were deputed to this Office. But no fooner did they come before Achillas, than without giving them a hearing, or enquiring after the Message they brought, he ordered them to be seized and put to death. One was killed upon the spot; and the other having received a dangerous Wound, was carried off for dead by his Attendants. hearing this, Cæfar took care to fecure the King's Perfon, the Authority of whose Name would authorize

BOOK thorize his Proceedings, and occasion Achillas and III. his Associates, to be esteemed seditious and rebellious.

XCI. Achillas's Army was far from being contemptible, whether we regard their Number, Courage, or Experience in War. It amounted to twenty thousand effective Men, many of whom were originally Romans, brought into the Country by Gabinius, when he came to settle Auletes on the Throne; and who having afterwards married and fettled in Alexandria, were devoted to the Ptolemean There were also some Brigades raised in Interest. Syria and Cilicia, together with a confiderable number of renegade Slaves, who had deferted their Masters, and found Protection in Egypt, by entering into the Service. If any of these was seized by his Master, their Companions slocked to his rescue, regarding his Sasety as a common Cause, because they were all embarked in the like Guilt. These would often take upon them to put to death the King's Ministers, to plunder the rich, for the sake of increasing their Pay, to invest the royal Palace, to banish some, and send for others home, with other Liberties of the like nature, which the Alexandrian Army claims by a kind of Prescription. these, he had likewise two thousand Horse, who, during the late Troubles, and the Wars that enfued, had had Opportunities of inuring themselves to These had restored Ptolemy the Father to his Kingdom, killed Bibulus's two Sons, warred against the Egyptians with success, and acquired a thorough Experience in military Affairs.

XCII. Achillas trusting to the Valour of his Troops, and despising the handful of Men that followed Casar, quickly made himself Master of Alexandria,

Alexandria, the Palace only excepted, where Cafar BOOK thought proper to make his stand, and which he attacked brilkly, tho' without effect. But it was on the fide of the Harbour that the greatest Efforts were made. On that, in effect, the Victory depended. Besides two and twenty constant Guard-Thips, there were in the Port fifty Gallies, from three to five Banks of Oars, which the Year before had been fent to Pompey's Affistance, and were returned fince the Battle of Pharsalia. Had Achillas been once Master of these Vessels, he might have cut Cæsar off from all Communication with the Ocean, and confequently from all Hopes of receiving Supplies of Victuals of Forces. Thus the Egyptians in hopes of a compleat Victory, and the Romans to avoid a certain Ruin, exerted themselves with incredible Vigour. At length Cæsar carried his Point, and not only fet fire to the Vessels above-mentioned, but to all that were in the Arfenals; after which he passed some Troops into the Ifle of Pharos.

XCIII. THE Phares is a Tower of prodigious Height, and wonderful Workmanship, built in an Island from whence it takes its Name. This Island lying over-against Alexandria, makes a Haven; and is joined to the Continent by a Causeway of nine hundred Paces, and by a Bridge. dwell several Egyptians, who have built a Town, and live by pillaging the Ships that are thrown upon their Coast, either by Mistake or Tempest. As it is situate at the Entrance of the Port, which is but narrow, it absolutely commands it. Casar knowing the Importance of this Post, whilst the Enemy were engaged in the Affault, landed fome Troops there, seized the Tower, and put a Garrison into it; thereby securing a safe Reception for Vol. II. the

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BOOK the Supplies he had fent for on all fides. other Quarters of the Town, the Fight was maintained with equal Advantage, neither Party losing Ground, because of the narrowness of the Passes, which enabled them easily to support themselves. After a few Men killed on both sides, Casar having fecured the most necessary Places, fortified them in the Night. In this Quarter was a small part of the King's Palace, where Cafar was lodged upon his. first Arrival; and adjoining thereto a Theatre, that ferved instead of a Citadel, and had a Communication with the Port and other Arfenals. These Works he increased afterwards, that they might ferve instead of a Rampart, to prevent his being obliged to fight against his will. Mean-time Ptolemy's youngest Daughter, hoping the Throne would be vacant, fled from the Palace to Achillas. and joined with him in the profecution of the War. But they foon disagreed about the Command, which increased the Largesses to the Soldiers, each Party endeavouring to gain them by large Presents. During these Transactions, Pothinus, Ptolemy's Governor, and Regent of the Kingdom, being difcovered in a clandestine Correspondence with Achillas, whom he encouraged to the vigorous Prosecution of his Enterprise, Casar ordered him to be put to death. Such was the Commencement of the. Alexandrian War.

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COMMENTARIES

OF THE

ALEXANDRIAN WAR.

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I. Cæsar prepares for War. II. As likewise the Alexandrians. III. Arsinoe, Ptolemy's Daughter, possessiberself of the supreme Authority. IV. Scheme of the Alexandrians to deprive the Romans of Water. V. Cæsar's Speech to his Soldiers. They fall to digging of Wells, and thereby find Water. VI. Cæsar having brought his Transports to Alexandria, has the advantage in several naval Encounters. XIII. And afterwards makes himself master of some Forts that commanded the Port. XIV. But attempting some others is repulsed and narrowly escapes by swimming. XV. Which loss serves only the more to animate his Soldiers. XVI. Cæsar, at the request of the Alexandrians, sends them their King Ptolemy, who immediately G 2

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becomes his Enemy. XVII. Cæsar's Fleet has the disadvantage in an Engagement. XVIII. Mithridates, Cæfar's Friend, having made himself master of Pelusium, advances towards Alexandria at the head of a great Body of Troops. XIX. The King's Forces, endeavouring to oppose him, are repulsed with loss. XX. Cæsar marching to the assistance of Mithridates, and Ptolemy at the same time to reinforce his Troops, they come to a Battle, with all their Forces, in which the King is entirely defeated. XXII. Cæsar storms the Enemy's Camp; and the King himself endeavouring to make his Escape, is drowned. XXIII. Cæsar admitting the Alexandrians to a Surrender, restores Tranquillity to Egypt. XXIV. And settles the Kingdom upon Cleopatra and her Brother. XXV. Mean-time Domitius Calvinus, one of Cæsar's Generals, loses a Battle against Pharnaces in Armenia the lesser. XXXII. At the same time Gabinius receives a confiderable Check in Illyricum, which had been gallantly defended by Q. Cornificius. XXXIV. But this loss is afterwards repaired by the Bravery of Vatinius, who recovers Illyricum to the Obedience of Cæsar. XXXVIII. About the same time Commotions arise in Spain, occasioned by the Extortions of Cassius Longinus. XLII. Cassius is wounded by the Conspirators. XLIII. After which he behaves still more tyrannically. XLIV. Whence new Difturbances arise. L. Which are appealed at last, by the Arrival of Lepidus, and the Death of Cassius. LII. Cæsar restores bis Affairs in Syria. LIII. As likewise in Cilicia. and Cappadocia: LIV: And in Gallograecia. He afterwards treats of Peace with Pharnaces in Pontus. LVI. And finding him not faithful to his Engagements, refolves to make War upon him. LIX. Pharnaces, rashly hazarding a Battle, is totally routed, and his Army cut to pieces. LXII. Pontus being thus speedily recovered, and -- Tranquillity restored to all the Asiatick Provinces, Casar teturns to Italy.

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HE War thus commencing at Alexandria, Cæsar sent to Rhodes, Syria, and Cilicia, for his Fleet; to Crete, for Archers; and to Malchus, King of the Nabatheans, for Cavalry. He likewise ordered military Engines to be provided, Corn to be brought, and Forces dispatched to him with all Diligence. Mean-while he was daily employed in augmenting his Works; and fuch Parts of the Town as appeared less tenable, were strengthened with Tortoises and Mantelets. Openings were made in the Walls, through which the battering Rams might play; and whatever Houses were thrown down, or taken by Force, were brought within the Intrench-For Alexandria is in a manner fecure from Fire, because the Inhabitants use no Wood in their Buildings, the Houses being all vaulted, and roofed with Tile or Pavement. Cæsar's principal Aim was, to inclose with Works the smallest Part of the Town, separated from the rest by a Morass towards G_3

the South. For thus the Army would lie closer together, be subject to one Command, and could readily dispatch Relief where it was most wanted. Above all, he by this means made sure of Water and Forage; which was of so much the more consequence, as he was but ill provided of the one, and wholly destitute of the other. The Morass, on the contrary, served abundantly to supply him with both.

II. Nor were the Alexandrians remise on their side, or less active in the Conduct of their Affairs. They had fent Deputies and Commissioners into all Parts, where the Power and Territories of Egypt extend, with Orders to levy Troops. They had carried vast Quantities of Darts and Engines into the Town, and drawn together an innumerable Multitude of Soldiers. Yet not contented with all these Preparations, they established Work-shops in every Part of the City, for the making of Arms; and inlifted all the Slaves that were of Age, the richer Citizens paying and maintaining them. With these they guarded the remoter Parts of the Town; while the veteran Cohorts, exempt from all other Service, were quartered in the Squares and open Places: that on whatever fide an Attack should be made, they might be at hand to give Relief, and march fresh and entire to the Charge. All the Avenues and Passes were shut up by a triple Wall, built of square Stones, and carried to the height of forty Feet. The lower Parts of the Town were defended by very high Towers of ten Stories: besides which, they had likewise contrived a kind of moving Towers, which confifted of the same Number of Stories, and being fitted with Ropes and Wheels, could, by means of Horses, as the Streets of Alexandria were quite even and level, be conveyed

veyed wherever their Service was necessary. The City abounding in everything, and being very rich, furnished ample Materials for these several Works; and as the People were extremely ingenious, and quick of Apprehension, they so well copied what they saw done by us, that our Men seemed rather to imitate them. They even invented many things themselves, and at once insested our Works, and defended their own. Their Chiefs every where represented: "That the People of Rome were endeavouring by degrees to Real into the Possession of Egypt: that a few Years before Gabinius had " come thither with an Army: that Pompey had se chosen it for the Place of his Retreat: that Casar " was now among them with a confiderable Body of Troops, and notwithstanding his Rival's "Death, made no offers to return: that if they " did not therefore find means to expel him, they " would foon from a Kingdom be reduced to a " Roman Province: that no time was to be lost in " this Attempt; because the Season of the Year * having put a Stop to Navigation, he could rese ceive no Supplies from beyond Sea."

III. MEAN-WHILE a Division arising between Achillas, who commanded the veteran Army, and Arsinoe, the youngest Daughter of King Ptolemy, as has been demonstrated above: while they mutually endeavoured to supplant one another, each striving to ingross the supreme Authority; Arsinoe, by the Assistance of the Eunuch Ganymed, her Governor, at length prevailed, and caused Achillas to be stain. After his Death, being possessed of the whole Power without a Rival, she raised Ganymed to the Command of the Army; who, on his entrance into that high Office, augmented the Allowance of G 4

the Troops, and with equal Diligence discharged all other Parts of his Duty.

IV. ALEXANDRIA is almost quite hollow underneath, occasioned by the many Aqueducts to the Nile, that furnish private Houses with Water; where being received in Cifterns, it fettles by degrees, and becomes perfectly clear. This is preferved for the use of the Master and his Family: for the Water of the Nile being extremely thick and muddy, is apt to breed many Distempers. The common People, however, are forced to be contented with it, because there is not a single Spring in the whole City. The River was in that Part of the Town where the Alexandrians were Mafters. Hence Ganymed conceived, that a way might be found to deprive the Romans of Water; because being distributed into several Streets, for the more easy Defence of the Works, they made use of that which was preserved in the Cisterns of private Houses. With this view he began a great and difficult Work: for having stopt up all the Canals by which his own Cifterns were supplied, he drew vast Quantities of Water out of the Sea, by the help of Wheels and other Engines, pouring it continually into the Canals of Cafar's Quarter. The Cisterns in the nearest Houses soon began to taste falter than ordinary, and occasioned great wonder among the Men, who could not think from what Cause it proceeded. They were even ready to disbelieve their Senses, when those who were quartered a little lower in the Town affured them, that they found the Water the same as before. This put them upon comparing the Cifterns one with another, and by trial they eafily perceived the Difference. in a little time the Water in the nearest Houses became quite unfit for use, and that lower down grew

daily more tainted and brackish; upon which such a Terror enfued among the Troops, that they fancied themselves reduced to the last Extremity. Some complained of Cafar's Delay, and that he did. not order them immediately to repair to their Ships. Others dreaded a yet greater Misfortune, as it would be impossible to conceal their Design of retreating from the Alexandrians, who were so near them; and no less so to embark in the Face of a vigorous and pursuing Enemy. There were besides a great Number of the Townsmen in Casar's Quarter, whom he had not thought proper to force from their Houses, because they openly pretended to be in his Interest, and to have quitted the Party of their Fellow-citizens. But to offer here at a Defence either of the Sincerity or Conduct of these Alexandrians, would be only Labour in vain; fince all who know the Genius and Temper of the People must be satisfied, that they are the fittest Instruments in the World for Treason.

V. Cæsar laboured to remove his Soldiers Fears, by encouraging and reasoning the case with them. "They might easily," he told them, "find Water, by digging Wells, as all Sea-coasts nast turally abounded with fresh Springs: that if " Egypt was fingular in this respect, and differed from every other Soil; yet still as the Sea was open, and the Enemy without a Fleet, there was 46 nothing to hinder their fetching it at pleasure in "their Ships, either from Parætonium on the left, " or Pharos on the right; which two Places lying 66 different ways, the Wind could never exclude them from both at the same time: that a Retreat " was on no account to be thought of, not only by 66 those who had a Concern for their Honour, but even by fuch as regarded nothing but Life: that " it was with the utmost difficulty they could de-" fend themselves behind their Works; but if " they once quitted that Advantage, neither in 66 Number nor Situation would they be a match 66 for the Enemy: that to embark would require " much time, and be attended with great Danger, efpecially where it must be managed by little 66 Boats: that the Alexandrians on the contrary "were nimble and active, and thoroughly ac-46 quainted with the Streets and Buildings: that "fushed with so manifest an Advantage, that they would not fail to run before, seize all the ad-" vantageous Posts, possess themselves of the tops " of the Houses, and by annoying them in their 44 Retreat, effectually prevent their getting on 46 board: that they might therefore think no more " of retiring, but place all their hopes of fafety in "Victory." Having by this Speech re-affured his Men, he ordered the Centurions to lay aside all other Cares, and apply themselves Day and Night to the digging of Wells. The Work once begun, they pushed it on so vigorously, that the very first Night abundance of fresh Water was found. Thus with little Labour on our fide, the mighty Projects and painful Attempts of the Alexandrians were entirely frustrated.

VI. During these Transactions, the thirty-seventh Legion, composed of *Pompey*'s Veterans that had surrendered to *Casar*, embarking by Order of *Domitius Calvinus*, with Arms, Darts, Provisions, and military Engines, arrived upon the Coast of *Africa*, a little above *Alexandria*. An easterly Wind, which continued to blow for several Days together, hindered their being able to gain the Port; but all along that Coast, 'tis very safe riding at Anchor. Being detained, however, longer than they expected,

expected, and preffed with want of Water, they gave notice of it to Cafar by a dispatch Sloop. Cafar, that he might himself be able to determine what was best to be done, went on board one of the Ships in the Harbour, and ordered the whole Fleet to follow. He took none of the Land Forces with him, because he was unwilling to leave the Works unguarded during his absence. Being arrived at that part of the Coast known by the name of Cherronesus, he sent some Mariners on shore to fetch Water. Part of these venturing too far into the Country for the sake of Plunder, were intercepted by the Enemy's Horse. From them the Egyptians learnt, that Cafar himself was on board, without any Soldiers. Upon this Information, they thought Fortune had thrown a fair Occasion in their way, of attempting fomething with Success. They therefore manned all the Ships that were in Condition to fail, and met Casar on his return. He declined fighting that Day for two Reasons; because he had no Soldiers on board; and it was past The Night, he was fenfifour in the Afternoon. ble, must be highly advantageous to his Enemies, who were perfectly well acquainted with the Coast: and he would himself be deprived of the Benefit of encouraging his Men; which could not be done with any effect in the dark, where Courage and Cowardice must remain equally unknown. He therefore drew all his Ships towards the Shore, where he imagined the Enemy would not venture to follow him.

VII. THERE was one Rhodian Galley in Cafar's right Wing, confiderably distant from the rest. This being observed by the Enemy, they came forward with four decked Ships, and several open Barks, to attack her. Cafar was obliged to advance to her Relief, that he might not suffer the Disgrace

Difgrace of feeing one of his Gallies funk before his Eyes; tho', had he left her to perish, she seemed to deserve it for her rashness. The Attack was fustained with great Courage by the Rhodians; who, tho' at all times distinguished by their Valour and Experience in Engagements at Sea, yet exerted themselves in a particular manner on this Occasion, that they might not draw upon themselves the Charge of having occasioned a Misfortune to the Accordingly they obtained a compleat Victory; took one four-benched Galley; funk another, disabled a third, and slew all that were on board, besides a great number belonging to the other Ships. Nay, had not Night interposed, Casar would have made himself Master of their whole Fleet. ing the Consternation that followed upon this Defeat, Cafar finding the contrary Winds to abate, took the Transports in tow, and advanced with the victorious Fleet to Alexandria.

VIII. THE Alexandrians disheartened at this Loss. as finding themselves now worsted, not by the superior Valour of the Soldiers, but by the Skill and Ability of the Mariners, retired to the tops of their Houses, and blocked up the entrance of their Streets, as fearing our Fleet might attack them even by Land. But foon after, Ganymed affuring them in Council, that he would not only restore the Vessels they had loft, but even increase their Number: they began to repair their old Ships with great Expectation and Confidence, and resolved to apply more than ever to the putting their Fleet in a good And altho' they had lost above an hundred and ten Ships in the Port and Arsenal, yet did not all this discourage them; because by making themselves Masters at Sea, they saw they would have it in their power to hinder Cæsar's receiving

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any Reinforcements or Supplies. Besides, being naturally Mariners, born upon the Sea-coast, and exercised from their Infancy in naval Affairs, they were desirous to return to that wherein their true and proper Strength lay, remembering the Advantages they had formerly gained, even with their little Ships. They therefore applied themselves with all diligence to the equipping a Fleet.

IX. VESSELS were stationed at all the Mouths of the Nile, for receiving and gathering in the Cuftoms. Several old Ships were likewise lodged in the King's private Arsenals, where they had remained unrigged for many Years. Thefe last they refitted, and recalled the former to Alexandria. fupply themselves with Oars, they uncovered the Porticos, Academies, and publick Buildings, and made use of the Planks they furnished. Their natural Ingenuity, and the abundance of all things to be met with in the City, supplied every Want. In fine, they had no long Navigation to provide for, and were only folicitous about present Exigences, forefeeing they would have no occasion to fight but in the Port. In a few Days therefore, contrary to all expectation, they had fitted out twenty-two Quadriremes, and five Quinqueremes. To these they added a great number of small open Barks; and employing the Rowers in the Harbour, to practice and exercise themselves, put a sufficient number of Soldiers on board, and prepared every thing necessary for an Engagement. Cafar had nine Rhodian Gallies (for of the ten which were fent, one was shipwrecked on the Coast of Egypt;) eight from Pontus, five from Lycia, and twelve out of Afia. Of these ten were Quadriremes, and five Quinqueremes. The rest were of an inferior bulk, and for the most part without Decks. Yet trusting to the

the Valour of his Soldiers, and knowing the strength of the Enemy, he prepared for an Engagement.

X. When both fides were come to have sufficient Confidence in their own Strength, Cuefar failed round Pharos, and formed in line of Battle overagainst the Enemy. The Rhodian Gallies were in his right Wing, and those of Pontus in his left. Between these he lest a space of four hundred Paces. to serve for the extending and working the Vessels. This Disposition being made, he drew up the rest of the Fleet as a referve, giving them the necessary Orders, and distributing them in such manner, that every Ship followed that to which she was appointed to give Succour. The Alexandrians came forth with great Confidence, and drew up their Fleet; placing their twenty-two Quadriremes in front, and disposing the rest behind them in a fecond Line, by way of referve. They had besides a great number of Boats and smaller Vessels, that carried Fire and combustible Weapons, with defign to fright us by their Number, Cries, and flaming Darts. Between the two Fleets were certain Flats, separated by very narrow Channels, and which are faid to be on the African Coast, as being' in that division of Alexandria which belongs to Africa. Both sides waited which should first pass these: Shallows, because whoever entered the narrow Channels between them, in case of any Missortune, would find it very difficult either to retreat, or work the Ships to advantage.

XI. EUPHRANOR commanded the Rhodian Fleet, who for Valourand Greatness of Mind deserved rather to be ranked among the Romans than the Grecians. The Rhodians had raised him to the Post of Admiral,

miral, on account of his known Courage and Experience. He perceiving Cafar's Defign, addressed him to this effect: "You feem afraid of passing "the Shallows first, lest you should be thereby " forced to come to an Engagement, before the " rest of the Fleet can be brought up. Leave the " Matter to us; we will fustain the Fight, and I hope too without disappointing your Expecta-"tions, 'till the whole Fleet gets clear of the Shalle is both dishonourable and afflicting. et that they should so long, continue in our sight: with an air of Triumph." Cafar encouraging: him in his Design, and bestowing many Praises up+ on him, gave the Signal for engaging, Rhedian Ships having passed the Shallows, the Alexandrians gathered round and attacked them. They maintained the Fight with great Bravery,. disengaging themselves by their Art and Address, and working their Ships with so much Skill, that: notwithstanding the inequality of Number, none: of the Enemy were fuffered to run along fide, or break their Oars. Mean-time the rest of the Fleet came up; when on account of the narrowness of the Place, Art becoming useless, the Success depended wholly upon Valour. The Alexandrians. and Romans who were in the Town, laying afide all thoughts of Attack and Defence, mounted the tops of the Houses, and all the Eminences that would' give a view of the Fight, addressing the Gods by Vows and Prayers for Victory.

XII. THE event of the Battle was by no means equal. A Defeat would have deprived us of all refource either by Land or Sea; and even Victory itself would not much better our Condition. The Alexandrians, on the contrary, by a Victory, gained every thing; and if defeated, might yet again.

have recourse to Fortune. It was likewise a matter of the highest Concern, to see the Safety of all depend upon the Bravery of a few, whose want of Courage would expose their whole Party to Destruc-This Casar had often represented to his Troops during the preceding Days, that they might be thereby induced to fight with the more Refolution, when they knew the common Safety to depend upon their Bravery. Every Man faid the fame to his Comrade, Companion, and Friend, requesting him not to disappoint the Expectation of those who had chosen him preferably to others for the defence of the common Interest. Accordingly they fought with fo much Resolution, that neither the Art nor Address of the Egyptians, a maritime and feafaring People, could stand them in any stead; nor the multitude of their Ships be of service to them; nor the Valour of those selected for this Engagement, stand in competition with the determined Courage of the Romans. In this Action a Quinquereme was taken, and a Bireme with all the Soldiers and Mariners on board, besides three sunk, without any loss on our side. The rest sled towards the Town, sheltering themselves under the Mole and Forts, whither we durft not purfue them.

XIII. To deprive the Enemy of this resource for the suture, Casar thought it by all means necessary, to render himself Master of the Mole and Island: for having already in great measure compleated his Works within the Town, he was in hopes of being able to defend himself both in the Island and City. This Resolution being taken, he put into Boats and small Vessels ten Cohorts, a select Body of light-armed Infantry, and such of the Gallick Cavalry as he thought most for his Purpose, and sent them against the Island; whilst at the same time.

time, to occasion a Diversion, he attacked it on the other with his Fleet, promising great Rewards to those who should first render themselves masters of At first, the Attack was brisk, and the Defence vigorous: for they both annoyed our Men from the tops of the Houses, and gallantly maintained their Ground along the Shore; which being steep and craggy, our Men could find no way of approach; all the more accessible Avenues being skilfully defended by small Boats, and five Gallies, properly stationed for that purpose. But when after examining the Approaches, and founding the Shallows, a few of our Men got upon the Shore, and were followed by others, who pushed the Islanders without intermission; the Pharians at last betook themselves to slight. Upon this, abandoning the defence of the Port, they quitted their Ships, and retired into the Town, to provide for the fecurity of their Houses. But they could not long maintain their Ground there: tho', to compare fmall things with great, their Buildings resembled those of Alexandria, and their Towers were high, and joined together so as to form a kind of Wall; and our Men had neither Ladders, Fascines, nor any Weapons for Assault. But Fear often deprives Men of Counsel and Strength, as happened upon Those who had ventured to oppose this Occasion. us on even Ground, terrified by the loss of a few Men, and the general Rout; durit not face us from a height of thirty Foot; but throwing themselves from the Mole into the Sea, endeavoured to gain the Town, tho' above eight hundred Paces distant. Many however were flain, and about fix hundred taken.

XIV. CASAR giving up the Plunder to the Soldiers, ordered the Houses to be demolished; Vol. II.

but fortified the Castle at the end of the Bridge next the Island, and placed a Garrison in it. Pharians had abandoned: but the other, towards the Town, which was confiderably stronger, was still held by the Alexandrians. Casar attacked it next Day: because by getting possession of these two Forts, he would be entirely master of the Port, and prevent sudden Excursions and Piracies. ready he had, by means of his Arrows and Engines, forced the Garrison to abandon the Place. and retire towards the Town. He had also landed three Cohorts, which was all the Place would contain; and disposed the rest of his Troops abroad to fustain them. He then fortified the Bridge on the fide of the Enemy, built an Arch across the entrance of the Port, and filled it up in fuch a manner with Stones, that not the smallest Boat could When the Work was almost finished, the Alexandrians sallied in Crowds from the Town, and drew up in an open Place, over-against the Intrenchment we had cast up at the head of the Bridge. At the fame time the Vessels, which they had been wont to make pass under the Bridge, to set fire to our Ships of Burden, were ranged along the Mole. Our Men fought from the Bridge and the Mole: the Enemy from the Area over-against the Bridge. and from their Ships by the fide of the Mole. While Casar, attentive to what passed, was exhorting his Troops; a number of Rowers and Mariners quitting their Ships, threw themselves upon the Mole; partly out of curiofity, partly to have a share in the Action. At first, with Stones and Slings they forced the Enemy's Ships from the Mole; and seemed to do still greater Execution with their Darts. But when some time after, a few Alexandrians found means to land, and attack them in flank; as they had left their Ships without Order or Discipline,

Discipline, so they soon began to sly with precipitation. The Alexandrians encouraged by this Succefs, landed in greater Numbers, and vigorously pushed our Men, who were by this time in great confusion. Those that remained in the Gallies perceiving this, drew up the Ladders, and put off from the Shore, to prevent the Enemies boarding The three Cohorts, who were at the head of the Mole, to guard the Bridge, aftonished at this Disorder, the Cries they heard behind them, and the general Rout of their Party; unable besides to bear up against the Multitude of Darts which came pouring upon them, and fearing to be furrounded, and have their Retreat cut off, by the departure of their Ships; abandoned the defence of the Bridge. and ran with all the speed they could towards the Some getting on board the nearest Vessels. overloaded and funk them. Part making head against the Enemy, and uncertain what Course to take, were cut to pieces by the Alexandrians. Others more fortunate, got to the Ships that rode at Anchor; and a few, by the help of their Bucklers, swam to the nearest Vessels. Cæsar endeavouring to reanimate his Men, and lead them back to the Defence of the Works, was exposed to the fame Danger with the rest: when finding them univerfally to give ground, he retreated to his own Galley; whither fuch a Multitude followed, and crowded afrer him, that it was impossible either to work or put her off. Foreseeing what must happen, he flung himself into the Sea, and swam to a Ship that lay at some distance. Hence dispatching Boats to succour his Men, he by that means preferved a small Number. His own Ship, funk by the Multitude that crowded into her, perished with all that were on board. We lost in this Action about four hundred legionary Soldiers, and some-H 2

what above that Number of Sailors and Rowers. The Alexandrians secured the Fort by strong Works, and a great Number of Engines: and having cleared away the Stones, with which Casar had blocked up the Port, enjoyed henceforward a free and open Navigation.

XV. Our Men, instead of being disheartned at this loss, seemed rather roused and animated by it. They were making continual Sallies upon the Enemy, to destroy or check the Progress of their Works; sell upon them as often as they had an Opportunity; and never failed to intercept them, when they ventured to advance beyond their Fortifications. In short, the Legions were so bent upon sighting, that they even outstripped the Orders and Exhortations of Casar. They were inconsolable for their late Disgrace, and impatient to come to Blows with the Enemy; insomuch that he found it rather necessary to restrain and check their Ardor, than incite them to Action.

XVI. THE Alexandrians perceiving that Success confirmed the Romans, and that adverse Fortune only animated them the more; as they knew of no medium between these, on which to ground any farther hopes, resolved, either by the Advice of the Friends of their King, who were in Cæsar's Quarter; or of their own Motion; or, perhaps, on an intimation from the King himself, suggested to him by fecret Emissaries; to send Ambassadors to Casar They represented: "That to demand their King. "the People, weary of subjection to a Woman, " of living under a precarious Government, and " fubmitting to the cruel Laws of the Tyrant Ga-" nymed, instead of obeying their own lawful King, " defired nothing fo much as to have him amongst

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"them: that in granting their Request, he would " pave the way to an Alliance, and extinguish all . "the Fears and Objections that had hitherto ob-"ftructed it." Though Casar knew the Nation to be false and perfidious, seldom speaking as they really thought, he judged it best however to comply with their defire. He even flattered himself, that his Condescension in sending back their King at their Request, would prevail on them to be faithful: or, as was more agreeable to their Character, if they only wanted the King to head their Army; at least it would be more for his Honour and Credit. to have to do with a Monarch, than with a Band of Slaves and Fugitives. Accordingly he fent Ptolemy to them, exhorting him "to take the Government " into his own hands, and confult the Welfare of fo " fair and illustrious a Kingdom, defaced by hi-"deous Ruins and Conflagrations. That he would make his Subjects fensible of their Duty, pre-" ferve them from the Destruction that threatned "them, and act with Fidelity towards himself and "the Romans, who put so much Confidence in him, " as to fend him amongst armed Enemies." Then taking him by the Hand, he told him he was at liberty to depart. But the young Prince, thoroughly versed in the Art of Dissimulation, and no way degenerating from the Character of his Nation, intreated Cæsar with Tears not to send him back; for that his Company was to him preferable to a Kingdom. Cæsar, moved at his Concern, dried up his Tears; and telling him if these were his real Sentiments they would foon meet again, difmiffed him. The King, like a wild Beast, escaped out of Confinement, carried on the War with fuch Acrimony against Cæsar, that the Tears he shed at parting, seemed to have been Tears of Joy. Casar's Lieutenants, Friends, Centurions, and Soldiers, were Hз not

not a little pleased at this; because through his Easiness of Temper, he had suffered himself to be imposed upon by a Child: as if in truth Casar's Behaviour on this occasion had been the Effect of Easiness of Temper, and not of the most consummate Prudence.

XVII. When the Alexandrians found that the Restitution of their King had neither rendered their own Party stronger, nor the Romans weaker; that the Troops despised the Youth and Weakness of their King; and that their Affairs were no way bettered by his Presence; they were greatly discouraged: the rather, because a Report ran, that a great Body of Troops was marching by Land from Syria and Cilicia to Cafar's Assistance, of which he had not as yet himself received Information. however did not hinder their Design of intercepting the Convoys that came to him by Sea. To this end having equipped some Ships, they ordered them to cruise before the Canopic Branch of the Nile, by which they thought it most likely our Supplies would arrive. Cefar, who was informed of it, fent likewife his Fleet to Sea, under the Command of Tiberius Nero. The Rhodian Gallies made part of this Squadron, headed by Euphranor their Admiral, without whom he had little hopes of Success from any maritime Expedition. But Fortune, which often reserves the heaviest Disasters for those who have been loaded with her highest Favours, encountered Euphranor upon this occasion, with an Aspect very different from what she had hitherto worn. For when our Ships were arrived at Canopus, and the Fleets drawn up on each fide had begun the Engagement, Eupbranor according to custom having made the first Attack, and pierced and funk one of the Enemy's Ships; as he purfued the next a con**fiderable**

fiderable way, without being sufficiently sustained by those that followed him, he was surrounded by the Alexandrians. None of the Fleet advanced to his Relief, either out of fear for their own Sasety, or because they imagined he would easily be able to extricate himself by his Courage and good Fortune. Accordingly he alone behaved well in this Action, and being abandoned by all the rest, perished with his victorious Galley.

XVIII. About the same time Mithridates of Pergamus, a Man of illustrious Descent, distinguished for his Bravery and Knowledge in the Art of War, and who bore a very high Place in the Friendship and Confidence of Cafar; having been sent in the beginning of the Alexandrian War, to raise Succours in Syria and Cilicia; arrived by Land at the head of a great Body of Troops, which his Diligence, and the Affection of these two Provinces. had enabled him to draw together in a very short He conducted them first to Pelusum, a City which joins Syria to Egypt. Achillas, who was perfectly well acquainted with its Importance, had feized and put a strong Garrison into it. For Egypt is confidered as defended on all fides by ftrong Barriers; towards the Sea by the Pharos, and towards Syria by Pelusium, which are accounted the two Keys of that Kingdom. He attacked it so briskly with a large Body of Troops, fresh Men continually fucceeding in the Place of those that were fatigued; and urged the Affault with so much Firmness and Perseverance, that he carried it the same Day, and placed a Garrison in it. Thence he purfued his March to Alexandria, reducing all the Provinces thro' which he passed, and conciliating them to Cæsar, by that Authority which always accompanies Victory.

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XIX. Not far from Alexandria lies Delta, the most celebrated Province of Egypt, which borrows its Name from the Greek Letter so called. For the Nile dividing into two Channels, which gradually runs off as they approach the Sea, into which they at last discharge themselves at a considerable distance from one another, leaves an intermediate space in form of a Triangle. The King understanding that Mitbridates approached this Place, and knowing he must pass the River, sent a great Body of Troops against him, sufficient, as he thought, if not to overwhelm and crush him, at least to stop his March. For the he earnestly defired to see him defeated, yet he thought it a great Point gained, to hinder his junction with Cafar. Troops that first passed the River, and came up with Mitbridates, attacked him immediately, that they might alone have the Honour of the Victory. Mitbridates at first confined himself to the defence of his Camp, which he had with great Prudence fortified according to the Custom of the Romans: but observing that they advanced insolently and without Caution, he fallied upon them from all Parts, and put a great Number of them to the Sword; infomuch that but for their knowledge of the Places, and the Neighbourhood of the Vessels in which they had passed the River, they must have been all destroyed. But recovering by degrees from their Terror, and joining the Troops that followed them, they again prepared to attack Mithridates.

XX. MITHRIDATES fent to inform Casar of what had happened. The King was likewise informed on his side. Thus much about the same time, Ptolemy set out to crush Mitbridates, and Casar to relieve him. The King made use of the more expeditious

expeditious Conveyance of the Nile, where he had a large Fleet in readiness. Casar declined the Navigation of the River, that he might not be obliged to fight the Enemy's Fleet: and coasting along the African Shore, found means to join the victorious Troops of Mitbridates, before Ptolemy could attack him.

XXI. THE King had encamped in a very dangerous Place, being an Eminence surrounded on all fides by a Plain. Three of its fides were fecured by various defences. One adjoined to the Nile, the other was steep and inaccessible, and the third was defended by a Morass. Between Ptolemy's Camp and Cafar's Rout lay a narrow River with very high Banks, which discharged itself into the Nile. This River was about seven Miles from the King's Camp; who understanding that Casar directed his March that way, fent all his Cavalry, with a choice Body of light-armed Foot, to hinder Casar from passing, and maintain an unequal Fight from the Banks, where Courage had no Opportunity to exert itself, and Cowardice ran no hazard. Our Men, both Horse and Foot, were extremely mortified, that the Alexandrians should so long maintain their Ground against them. Wherefore the German Cavalry dispersing in quest of a Ford, some sound means to swim the River where the Banks were lowest; and the Legionaries at the same time cutting down several large Trees, that reached from one Bank to another, and throwing them into the Water, by their help, got to the other side. Enemy unable to sustain their first Charge, betook themselves to slight; but in vain: for very sew returned to the King, being almost all cut to pieces in. the Pursuit,

XXII. CASAR, upon this Success, judging that his sudden Approach must strike a great Terror into the Alexandrians, advanced towards their Camp with But finding it well intrenchhis victorious Army. ed, strongly fortified by Nature, and the Ramparts crowded with armed Soldiers, he did not think proper to attack it at that time, as his Troops were very much fatigued, both by their March and the late Battle; and therefore encamped at a small distance from the Enemy. Next Day he attacked a Fort, in a Village not far off, which the King had joined to his Camp by a Line of Communication, with a view of keeping possession of the Village. He employed his whole Army in this Assault: not because it would have been difficult to carry it with a few Forces; but with defign of falling immediately upon the Enemy's Camp, during the Alarm the loss of this Fort must give them. Accordingly the Romans, in continuing the pursuit of those that fled from the Fort, arrived at last before the Alexandrian Camp, where a furious Battle enfued. There were two Approaches by which it might be attacked: one by the Plain, of which we have spoken before; the other by a narrow Pass, between their Camp and the Nile. The first, which was much the easiest, was defended by a numerous Body of their best Troops: and the access on the side of the Nile gave the Enemy great Advantages in distresfing and wounding our Men: for they were exposed to a double shower of Darts: in front, from the Rampart; behind, from the River, where the Enemy had stationed a great number of Ships, furnished with Archers and Slingers, that kept a continual discharge. Casar observing that his Troops fought with the utmost Ardor, and yet made no great Progress, on account of the disadvantage of the

the Ground; as he saw they had left the highest part of their Camp unguarded, because being sufficiently fortified by Nature, they had all crowded to the other Attacks, partly to have a share in the Action. partly to be Spectators of the Issue: he ordered fome Cohorts to wheel round the Camp, and gain that Aicent; appointing Carsulenus to command them, a brave Officer, and well acquainted with the Service. When they had reached the Place, where they found but very few to defend it, our Men attacked them so briskly, that the Alexandrians terrified by the Cries they heard behind them, and feeing themselves attacked both in front and rear. fled in the utmost Consternation on all sides. Men animated by the Confusion of the Enemy, entered the Camp in several places at the same time; and running down from the higher Ground, put a great number of them to the fword. andrians endeavouring to escape, threw themselves in Crowds over the Rampart next the River. The foremost tumbling into the Ditch, where they were crushed to death, furnished an easy passage for those that followed. The King made his escape the same Way; but by the Crowd that followed him, the Ship to which he fled was overloaded and funk.

XXIII. AFTER this speedy and successful Action, Casar, in considence of so great a Victory, marched the nearest way by Land to Alexandria with his Cavalry, and entered triumphant into that part of the Town possessed by the Enemy. He was not mistaken in thinking, that the Alexandrians, upon hearing of the issue of the Battle, would give over all thoughts of War. Accordingly, as soon as he was arrived, he reaped the just fruit of his Valour and Magnanimity. For the Alexandrians throwing down their Arms, abandoning their Works, and

assuming the habit of Suppliants, came forth to surrender themselves to Cæsar, preceded by all those sacred Symbols of Religion, wherewith they were wont to mollify their offended Kings. Cæsar accepting their Submission, and encouraging them, advanced thro' the Enemy's Works into his own Quarter of the Town, where he was received with the universal Congratulations of his Party, who were no less overjoyed at his Arrival and Presence, than at the happy issue of the War.

XXIV. CÆSAR having thus made himself mafter of Alexandria and Egypt, lodged the Government in the hands of those to whom Ptolemy had bequeathed it by Will, appointing the People of Rome his Executors, and requesting them to confirm his Choice. For the eldest of his two Sons being dead, he settled the Kingdom upon the youngest, in conjunction with his Sister Cleopatra, who had always continued faithful to the Romans. younger Arsinoe, in whose name Ganymed, as we have feen, reigned for fome time, he thought proper to banish the Kingdom, that she might not raise any new Disturbance, before the King's Authority should be firmly established. Things thus fettled, he carried the fixth Legion with him into Syria, leaving the rest to support the Authority of the King and Queen; who neither stood well in the Affections of their Subjects, on account of their Attachment to Cafar; nor could be supposed to have given any fixed Foundation to their Power, in an Administration of only a few Days continuance. It was also for the Honour and Interest of the Republick, that if they continued faithful, our Forces should protect them; if otherwise, would be in a condition to restrain them. Having thus settled the Kingdom, he marched by Land into Syria. XXV.

XXV. WHILE these things passed in Egypt, King Dejotarus applied to Domitius Calvinus, to whom Cæsar had intrusted the Government of Asia and the neighbouring Provinces, befeeching him, "Not to " fuffer Pharnaces to seize and lay waste the lesser " Armenia, which was his Kingdom; or Cappadocia, " which belonged to Ariobarzanes; because unless "they were delivered from these Insults, it would " be impossible for them to execute Casar's Orders, " or raise the Money they stood engaged to pay." Domitius, who was not only sensible of the Necessity of Money to defray the Expences of the War, but likewise thought it dishonourable to the People of Rome and Cæsar, as well as infamous to himself, to fuffer the Dominions of Allies and Friends to be usurped by a foreign Prince; sent Ambassadors to Pharnaces to acquaint him, " That he must with-"draw immediately out of Armenia and Cappadocia, " and no longer infult the Majesty and Right of the " Roman People, engaged in a civil War." believing that his Deputation would have greater Weight, if he was ready to second it himself at the Head of an Army; he repaired to the Legions which were then in Asia, ordering two of them into Egypt at Casar's Desire, and carrying the thirty-sixth along with him. To this Dejotarus added two more, which he had trained up for several Years according to our Discipline; and an hundred Horse. like Number of Horse were furnished by Ariobar-At the same time he sent P. Sextius to C. Platorius the Quartor, for the Legion which had been lately levied in Pontus; and Quinctius Patisms into Cilicia, to draw thence a Body of auxiliary Troops. All these Forces had Orders to rendezvous, as foon as possible, at Comana. XXVI.

XXVI. Mean-while his Ambassadors returned with Pharnaces's Answer: " That he had quitted " Cappadocia; but kept possession of the lesser Arec menia, as his own by right of Inheritance: however, was willing to submit all to the Decision of ec Cesar, to whose Commands he would pay im-" mediate Obedience." C. Domitius, sensible that he had quitted Cappadocia, not voluntarily, but out of necessity; because he could more easily defend Armenia, which lay contiguous to his own Kingdom, than Cappadocia, which was more remote; and because believing at first that Domitius had brought all the three Legions along with him, upon hearing that two were gone to Cefar, he feemed more determined to keep possession: insisted "upon 46 his quitting Armenia likewise, the Reason in both "Cases being the same; nor was it just to demand " that the Matter should be postponed 'till Casar's 66 Return, unless things were put in the Condition " in which they were at first." Having returned this Answer, he advanced towards Armenia with the Forces abovementioned, directing his March along the Hills For from Pontus, by the way of Comana, runs a woody ridge of Hills, that extends as far as Armenia the less, dividing it from Cappadocia. Advantages he had in view by fuch a March were; that he would thereby effectually prevent all Surprifes, and be plentifully furnished with Provisiona from Cappadocia.

XXVII. MEAN-TIME Pharnaces was perpetually fending Ambassadors to Domitius with Presents, and to treat of Peace. All these he firmly rejected, telling the Deputies: "That nothing was more facred with him, than the Majesty of the Roman People, and the Rights of their Allies." After a long

a long March he reached Nicopolis, a City of Armenia the less, situated in a Plain, having Mountains bowever on its two fides, at a confiderable Distance. Here he encamped about seven Miles from the Town. Between his Camp and Nicopelis lay a difficult and narrow Pass, where Pharnaces placed a chosen Body of Foot, and all his Horse in Ambuscade. He ordered a great number of Cattle to be dispersed in this Pass, and the Townsmen and Peasants to show themselves; that if Domitius entered the Defile as a Friend, he might have no sufpicion of an Ambuscade, when he saw the Men and Flocks dispersed without Apprehension in the Fields; or if he should come as an Enemy, that the Soldiers quitting their Ranks to pillage, might fall an easy Prey to his Troops.

XXVIII. WHILE this Design was going forward, he never ceased sending Ambassadors to Domitius, with Proposals of Peace and Amity, as fancying by this means the more easily to infnare him. The expectation of Peace kept Domitius in his Camp, fo that Pharnaces disappointed of his Hopes, and searing the Ambuscade might be discovered, drew off his Troops. Next Day Domitius approached Nicopolis, and encamped near the Town. While our Men were working at the Trenches, Pharnaces drew up his Army in order of Battle, forming his Front into one Line, according to the Custom of the Country, and fecuring his Wings with a triple Body Domitius ordering part of the Troops of Referves. to continue under Arms before the Rampart, compleated the Fortifications of his Camp.

XXIX. NEXT Night Pharnaces having intercepted the Couriers, who brought Domitius an Account of the posture of Affairs at Alexandria; understood that

that Casar was in great Danger, and requested Domitius to send him Succours speedily, and come himself to Alexandria by the way of Syria. Pharmaces, upon this Intelligence, imagined that protracting the Time would be equivalent to a Victory; because Domitius, he supposed, must very soon depart. He therefore dug two Ditches sour Foot deep, at a moderate Distance from each other, on that side where lay the easiest Access to the Town, and our Forces might with most Advantage attack him; resolving not to advance beyond them. Between these he constantly drew up his Army, placing all his Cavalry upon the Wings without them, which greatly exceeded ours in Number, and would otherwise have been useless.

XXX. Domitius, more concerned at Cafar's Danger than his own, and believing he could not retire with Safety, should he now defire the Conditions he had rejected, or march away without anyapparent Cause; drew his Forces out of the Camp, and ranged them in order of Battle. He placed the thirty-fixth Legion on the right, that of Pontus on the left, and those of Dejotarus in the main Body; drawing them up with a very narrow Front, and posting the rest of the Cohorts to sustain the The Armies thus drawn up on each side, they prepared for Battle; and the Signal being given at the fame time by both Parties, the Engagement began. The Conflict was sharp and various: for the thirty-fixth Legion falling upon the King's Cavalry, that was drawn up without the Ditch, charged them fo fuccessfully, that they drove them to the very Walls of the Town, passed the Ditch, and attacked their Infantry behind. But on the other fide, the Legion of Pontus having given way; the second Line, which advanced to sustain them, setching a compais

compass round the Ditch, in order to attack the Enemy in flank, was overwhelmed and born down by a shower of Darts, in endeavouring to pass it. The Legions of Dejotarus scarce made any Resistance; so that the victorious right Wing and main Body of the King's Army fell upon the thirty-fixth Legion, which yet made a brave stand; and tho' furrounded by the Forces of the Enemy, with wonderful presence of mind cast themselves into an Orb, and retired to the foot of a Mountain, whither Pharnaces did not think fit to pursue them, because of the Disadvantage of the Place. Thus the Legion of *Pontus* being almost wholly cut off, with great part of those of Dejotarus, the thirty-sixth Legion retreated to an Eminence, with the loss of about two hundred and fifty Men. Several Roman Knights of illustrious Rank fell in this Battle. Domitius, after this Defeat, rallied the remains of his broken Army, and retreated by fafe Ways through Cappadocia into Asia.

XXXI. PHARNACES elated with this Success, and hoping that Casar would never be able to extricate himself at Alexandria, entered Pontus with all his Forces. There acting as Conqueror and King, and promising himself a happier Destiny than his Father, he ravaged their Towns, seized the Effects of the Roman Citizens and Natives, insticted Punishments worse than Death upon such as were distinguished by their Age or Beauty; and having made himself Master of all Pontus, as there was no one to oppose his Progress, boasted that he had recovered his Father's Kingdom.

XXXII. About the fame time we received a confiderable Check in *Illyricum*; which Province Q. Cornificius, Cafar's Quaestor, had defended the Vol. II.

preceding Months, not only without Infult, but even with Honour, and a Conduct worthy of Praise. Cafar had fent him thither the Summer before with two Legions; and though it was of itself little able to subsist an Army, and at that time in particular almost totally ruined by the Neighbourhood of so many Wars; yet by his Prudence, Vigilance, and uncommon Care, he defended and kept possession of it. For he made himself Master of several Forts built on Eminences, whose advantageous Situation tempted the Inhabitants to make Descents and Inroads upon the Country; and gave the Plunder of them to his Soldiers: which tho' but inconsiderable, yet as they were no Strangers to the Distress and ill Condition of the Province, did not cease to be grateful; the rather, as it was the fruit of their own Valour. And when after the Battle of Pharfalia, Octavius had retreated to that Coast with a large Fleet; Cornificius, with some Vessels of the Judertini, who had always continued faithful to the Commonwealth, made himself Master of the greatest part of his Ships, which joined to those of the Judertini, rendered him capable of fustaining even a naval Engagement. And while Cafar victorious was pursuing Pampey to the remotest Parts of the Earth; upon Advice that the Enemy had for the most part retired into Illyricum, on account of its neighbourhood to Macedonia, and were there uniting into a Body, he wrote to Gabinius, "To repair " directly thither with the new-raifed Legions, and "join Cornificius, that in case of any Danger to "the Province, they might be the better able to " protect it: but if less Forces sufficed, to march " into Macedonia, which he foresaw would never be 46 free from Commotions, so long as Pompey lived."

XXXIII. Gabinius, whether he imagined the Province better provided than it really was, or depended much upon the auspicions Fortune of Calar. or confided in his own Valour and Abilities, having often terminated with Success difficult and dangerous Wars; marched into Illyricum in the middle of Winter, and the most difficult Season of the Year: where not finding sufficient Subsistence in the Province, which was partly ruined, partly ill-affected; and having no Supplies by Sea, because the season of the Year had put a stop to Navigation; he found himself compelled to carry on the War, not according to his own Inclination, but as Necessity allowed. As he was therefore obliged to lay fiege to Forts and Castles in a very rude Season, he received many Checks, and fell under fuch Contempt with the Barbarians, that retiring to Salona, a maritime City, inhabited by a fet of brave and faithful Romans, he was attacked upon his March; and after the loss of two thousand Soldiers, thirty-eight Centurions, and four Tribunes, got to Salona with the rest; where his Wants continually increasing, he died a few Days after. His Misfortunes and sudden death gave Octavius great hopes of mastering the Province. But Fortune, whose Influence is so great in matters of War, joined to the Diligence of Cornificius, and the Valour of Vatinius, soon put an end to his Triumphs.

XXXIV. For Vatinius, who was then at Brundusum, having intelligence of what passed in Illyricum, by Letters from Corniscius, who pressed him to come to the assistance of the Province, and informed him, that Octavius had leagued with the Barbarians, and in several Places attacked our Garrisons, partly by Sea with his Fleet, partly by Land I 2 with

with the Troops of the Barbarians: Vatinius, I say. upon Notice of these Things, tho' extremely weakned by Sickness, infomuch that his strength of Body no way answered his Resolution and Greatness of Mind: yet by his Valour furmounted all Opposition, the Force of his Distemper, the Rigour of the Season, and the Difficulties of a sudden Prepa-For having himself but a very few Gallies, he wrote to Q. Kalenus in Achaia, to furnish him with a Squadron of Ships. But these not coming with that Dispatch which the Danger our Army was in required, because Octavius pressed hard upon them; he fastened Beaks to all the Barks and Vesfels that lay in the Port, whose number was confiderable enough, tho' they were not fufficiently large for an Engagement. Joining these to what Gallies he had, and putting the veteran Soldiers aboard, whereof he had a great number, who had been left fick at Brundusium when the Army west over to Greece; he failed for Illyricum: where having subjected several maritime States that had declared for Ottavius; and neglecting such as continued obstinate in their Revolt, because he would fuffer nothing to retard his defign of meeting the Enemy; he came up with Octavius before Epidaurus; and obliging him to raise the Siege, which he was carrying on with great Vigour by Sea and Land, joined the Garrison to his own Forces.

XXXV. OCTAVIUS understanding that Vatinius's Fleet consisted mostly of small Barks, and confiding in the strength of his own, stopped at the Isle of Tauris. Vatinius followed him thither, not imagining he would halt at that Place, but because he was determined to pursue him wherever he went. Vatinius, who had no suspicion of an Enemy, and whose Ships were moreover dispersed by a Tempest, perceived,

ceived, as he approached the Isle, a Vessel filled with Soldiers, that advanced towards him with full Sails. Upon this he gave Orders for furling the Sails, lowering the Sail-yards, and arming the Soldiers: and hoisting a Flag as a Signal of Battle, intimated to the Ships that followed to do the same. Our Men prepared themselves in the best manner their sudden Surprise would allow, while Octavius advanced in good order from the Port. The two Fleets drew up. Octavius had the advantage as to Disposition, and Vatinius in the Bravery of his Troops.

XXXVI. VATINIUS finding himself inferior to the Enemy, both in the number and largeness of his Ships, refolved to commit the Affair to Fortune, and therefore in his own Quinquereme, attacked Octavius in his four-benched Galley. This he did with fuch violence, and the shock was so great, that the Beak of Octavius's Galley was broke. The Battle raged with great fury likewise in other Places, but chiefly round the two Admirals: for as the Ships on each fide advanced to fustain those that fought, a close and furious Conflict ensued in a very narrow Sea, where the nearer the Vessels approached, the more had *Vatinius*'s Soldiers the advantage. For with admirable Courage they leaped into the Enemy's Ships, and forcing them by this means to an equal Combat, soon mastered them by their superior Valour. Octavius's Galley was funk. others were taken, or suffered the same Fate. Soldiers were partly flain in the Ships, partly thrown overboard into the Sea. Octavius got into a Boat, which finking under the Multitude that crowded after him, he himself, tho' wounded, swam to his Brigantine: where being taken up, and Night having put an end to the Battle; as the Wind blew very strong, he spread all his Sails and fled. A few of his Ships

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Ships, that had the good Fortune to escape, followed him.

XXXVII. VATINIUS, seeing the Enemy entirely defeated, founded a Retreat, and entered victorious the Port whence Octavius had failed to fight him, without the loss of a single Vessel. He took in this Battle one Quinquereme, two Triremes, eight twobenched Gallies, and a great number of Rowers. The next Day was employed in repairing his own Fleet, and the Ships he had taken from the Enemy; after which he failed for the Island of Isla, imagining Octavius would retire thither after his Defeat. In this Island was a flourishing City well affected to Octavius, which however furrendered to Vatinius upon the first Summons. Here he understood that Ottavius, attended by a few small Barks, had failed with a fair Wind for Greece, whence he intended to pass on to Sicily, and afterwards to Africa. Vatinius having in so short a space successfully terminated the Affairs of Illyricum, restored the Province in a peaceable condition to Cornificius, and driven the Enemy's Fleet out of those Seas, returned victorious to Brundussum, with his Army and Fleet in good Condition.

XXXVIII. WHILE Casar besieged Pompey at Dyrrbachium, triumphed at Pharsalia, and carried on the War with so much danger at Alexandria, Cassus Longinus, who had been left in Spain as Proprætor of the farther Province; either through his natural Disposition, or out of a hatred he had contracted to the Province, because of a Wound he had treacherously received there when Quæstor, drew upon himself the general dislike of the People. He discerned this Temper among them, partly from a consciousness that he deserved it, partly from

the manifest Indications they gave of their Discontent. To secure himself against their Disaffection, he endeavoured to gain the love of the Soldiers; and having for this Purpose assembled them together, promised them an hundred Sesterces a Man. Soon after, having made himself Master of Medobrega, a Town in Lusitania, and of Mount Herminius, whither the Medobregians had retired; and being upon that occasion saluted Imperator by the Army, he gave them another hundred Sesterces each. These, accompanied with other considerable. Largesses in great number, seemed for the present to increase the good-will of the Army, but tended gradually and imperceptibly to the relaxation of military Discipline.

XXXIX. Cassius having fent his Army into Winter-quarters, fixed his residence at Cordova for the administration of Justice. Being greatly in debt, he resolved to pay it by laying heavy Impofitions upon the Province; and according to the custom of Prodigals, made his Liberalities a Pretence to justify the most exorbitant Demands. taxed the rich at discretion, and compelled them to pay without the least regard to their Remonstrances; frequently improving light and trifling Offences, as an handle for all manner of Extortions. thods of gain were purfued, whether great and apparent, or mean and fordid. None that had any thing to lose could escape Accusation; insomuch that the plunder of their private Fortunes was aggravated by the Dangers they were exposed to from pretended Crimes.

XL. Thus Longinus, acting the fame part when Proconful, which he had done when Quæstor, drew upon himself the like Conspiracies against his Life.

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Even his own Dependents concurred in the general Hatred; who tho' the Ministers of his Rapine, yet hated the Man by whose Authority they committed those Crimes. The Odium still increased upon his raising a fifth Legion, which added to the Expence and Burden of the Province. The Cavalry was augmented to three thousand, with costly Ornaments and Equipage; nor had the People any respite from his Extortions.

XLI. Mean-while he received Orders from Casar, to transport his Army into Africa, and march thro' Mauritania towards Numidia, because King Juba had sent considerable Succours to Pompey, and was preparing to send more. These Letters filled him with an insolent Joy, by the Opportunity they offered him of pillaging new Provinces, and a wealthy Kingdom. He therefore hastened into Lustania, to assemble his Legions, and draw together a Body of Auxiliaries; appointing certain Persons to provide Corn, Ships, and Money, that nothing might retard him at his return; which was much sooner than expected: for when Interest called, Casas wanted neither Industry nor Vigilance.

XLII. Having got his Army together, and encamped near Cordova, he made a Speech to the Soldiers, wherein he acquainted them with the Orders he had received from Cæsar, and promised them a hundred Sesterces each, when they should arrive in Mauritania. The fifth Legion, he told them, was to remain in Spain. Having ended his Speech, he returned to Cordova. The same Day about noon, as he went to the Hall of Justice, one Minutius Silo, a Client of L. Racilius, presented him with a Paper, in a Soldier's Habit, as if he had some

some request to make. Then retiring behind Racilius (who walked beside Cassius,) as if waiting for an Answer, he insensibly drew near; and a favourable Opportunity offering, seized Cassus with his left Hand, and wounded him twice with a Dagger in his right. The Noise this occasioned was as a Signal to the Conspirators, who all rushed upon him in a Body. Munatius Plancus killed the Lictor that was next Longinus, and wounded Q. Cassius his Lieutenant. T. Vasius, and L. Mergilio, seconded their Countryman Plancus; for they were all Italians. L. Licinius Squillus flew upon Longinus himself, and gave him feveral flight Wounds as he lay upon the Ground By this time his Guards came up to his Assistance, (for he always had a Body of Veterans armed with Darts to attend him,) and furrounded the rest of the Conspirators who were advancing to compleat the Assassination. Of this number were Calpburnius Salvianus, and Manilius Tusculus. Cassius was carried home; and Minutius. Silo stumbling upon a Stone as he endeavoured to make his escape, was taken and brought to him. Racilius retired to the neighbouring House of a Friend, 'till he should have certain Information of the Fate of Cassius. L. Laterensis not doubting but he was dispatched, ran in a transport of Joy to the Camp, to congratulate the fecond and the new-raifed Legions upon it, who, he knew, bore a particular hatred to Cassius; and who immediately upon this Intelligence, placed him on the Tribunal, and proclaimed him Prætor. For there was not a Native of the Province, nor a Soldier of the newraised Legion, nor a Person who by long residence was naturalized to the Province, of which kind the fecond Legion confifted, who did not join in the general hatred of Cassius. Mean-time Laterensis was informed that Cassius was still alive; at which

being rather grieved than disconcerted, he immediately fo far recovered himself, as to go and wait upon him. By this time the thirtieth Legion having notice of what had paffed, marched to Cordovato the assistance of their General. The twenty-first and fifth followed their Example. As only two Legions remained in the Camp, the second fearing they should be left alone, and thereby have their Sentiments known, did the same. But the new-raised Legion continued firm, nor could be induced by any Motives of Fear, to stir from its Place. Cassus ordered all the Accomplices of the Conspiracy to be seized, and sent back the fifth Legion to the Camp, retaining the other three. By the Confession of Minutius he learnt, that L. Racilius, L. Laterenfes, and Annius Scapula, a Man of great Authority and Credit in the Province, and equally in his Confidence with Laterensis and Racilius, were concerned in the Plot: nor did he long defer his Revenge, but ordered them to be put to death. delivered Minutius to be racked by his Freed-men; likewife Calphurnius Salvianus; who turning Evidence, increased the Number of the Conspirators; justly, as some think; but others pretend that he was forced. L. Mergilio was likewise put to the Squillus impeached many others, who were all condemned to die, except luch as redeemed their Lives by a Fine: for he pardoned Calpburnius for ten, and Q. Sentius for fifty thousand Sefterces; who, though deeply guilty, yet having in this manner escaped death, shewed Cassius to be no less coverous than cruel.

XLIII. Some Days after, he received Letters from Cafar, with an Account of Pompey's Defeat and Flight: which News equally affected him with Joy and Sorrow. Cafar's Success gave him Pleafure:

fure; but the conclusion of the War would put an end to his Rapines: infomuch that he was uncertain which to wish for, Victory, or an unbounded Licentiousness. When he was cured of his Wounds; he fent for all who were indebted to him in any Sums, and infifted upon immediate Payment. Such as were taxed too low, had orders to furnish larger Such Roman Citizens as had been levied in the several Colonies of the Province, and were alarmed at the thoughts of a foreign Expedition, obtained their Discharge for a certain Sum. brought in a vast Revenue, but greatly increased the general Hatred. He afterwards reviewed the Army, fent the Legions and Auxiliaries defigned for Africa towards the Straits of Hercules, and went himself to Seville, to examine the condition of the Fleet. He flay'd there some time, in consequence of an Edict he had published, ordering all who had not paid the Sums in which they were americed, to repair to him thither; which created an universal Murmuring and Discontent.

XLIV. In the mean-time L. Titius, a military Tribune of the new-raifed Legion, fent him notice of a Report, that the thirtieth Legion, one of. those he was carrying with him to Africa, had mutinied at Ilurgis, killed some of the Centurions that opposed them, and were gone over to the second Legion, who marched another Way towards the Upon this Intelligence, he fet out by Night with five Cohorts of the twenty-first Legion, and came up with them in the Morning. He stay'd there that Day, to consult what was proper to be done, and then went to Carmona, where he found the thirtieth and twenty-first Legions, with four Cohorts of the fifth, and all the Cavalry affembled. Here he learnt, that the new-raised Legion

Legion had furprised four Cohorts near Obucula, and forced them along with them to the second Legion; where all joining, they had chosen T. Thorius an Italian for their General. Having instantly called a Council, he fent Marcellus to Cordova, to secure that Town, and Q. Cassius, his Lieutenant, to Seville. A few Days after, news was brought that Cordova had revolted, and that Marcellus, either voluntarily, or through Force, (for the Reports were various) had joined them; as likewife the two Cohorts of the fifth Legion that were in Garrison there. Cassius provoked at these Mutinies decamped, and the next Day came to Segovia, upon the River Xenil. There fummoning an Assembly, to found the Disposition of the Troops, he found; that it was not out of any Regard to him, but to Cesar, though absent, that they continued faithful, and were ready to undergo any Danger for the recovery of the Province.

XLV. MEAN-WHILE Thorius marched the veteran Legions to Cordova; and that the Revolt might not appear to fpring from a feditious Inclination in him or the Soldiers; as likewise to oppose an equal Authority to that of Q. Cassus, who was drawing together a great Force in Cesar's Name; he publickly gave out, that his Design was to recover the Province for Pompey. Nay perhaps he was really influenced by a love for *Pompey*, whose Name was dear to those Legions that had served under Varro. Be this as it will, Thorius at least made it his Pretence; and the Soldiers were so infatuated with the Thought, that they had Pompey's Name inscribed upon their Bucklers. The Citizens of Cordova, Men, Women, and Children, came out to meet the Legions; " begging they would not " enter Cordova as Enemies, feeing they joined " with

with them in their Aversion to Cassius, and only desired they might not be obliged to act against a Cassar."

XLVI. THE Soldiers moved by the Prayers and Tears of so great a Multitude, and feeing they stood in no need of Pompey's Name and Memory to spirit up a Revolt against Cashus, as he was equally odious to the Partizans of both Parties: neither being able to prevail with Marcellus, or the People of Cordova, to declare against Cafar; they erased Pompey's Name from their Bucklers, chose Marcellus their Commander, joined the Citizens of Cordova, and encamped near the Town. Two Days after, Cassus encamped on an Eminence on this side the Batis, about four Miles from Cordova, and within view of the Town; whence he fent Letters to Bogud in Mauritania, and M. Lepidus, Proconful of hither Spain, to come to his Assistance as soon as possible for Casar's sake. Mean-while he ravaged the Country, and fet fire to the Buildings round Cordova.

XLVII. The Legions under Marcellus, provoked at this Indignity, ran to him, and begged to be led against the Enemy, that they might have an Opportunity of fighting them, before they could have time to destroy with Fire and Sword, the rich and noble Possessions of the Cordovians. Marcellus, tho' averse to a Battle, which, whoever was victorious, must turn to Casar's detriment; yet unable to restrain the Legions, crossed the Batis, and drew up his Men. Cassus did the same upon a rising Ground: but as he would not quit his advantageous Post, Marcellus persuaded his Men to return to their Camp. He had already begun to retire, when Cassus, knowing himself to be stronger in Cavalry,

fell upon the Legionaries with his Horse, and made a considerable Slaughter in their Rear, upon the Banks of the River. This Check making Marcellus sensible of the Mistake he had committed in passing the River, he removed his Camp to the other side, where both Armies frequently drew up, but did not engage, on account of the inequality of the Ground.

XLVIII. MARCELLUS was stronger in Foot, for he commanded veteran Legions, of great Experience in War. Cassus depended more on the Fidelity than the Courage of his Troops. The two Camps being very near each other, Marcellus seized a foot of Ground where he built a Fort, very convenient for depriving the Enemy of Water. ginus apprehending he should be besieged in a Country where all were against him, quitted his Camp in the Night, and by a quick March reached Ulla, a Town on which he thought he could rely. he encamped fo near the Walls, that both by the Situation of the Place, (for Ulla stands on an Eminence) and the Defences of the Town, he was on all sides secure from an Attack. Marcellus followed him, and encamped as near the Town as possible. Having taken a view of the Place, he found himfelf reduced by necessity to do what was most agreeable to his own Inclination; and neither engage Cashus, which the Ardour of his Soldiers would have forced him to, had it been possible; nor suffer him by his Excursions to infest the Territories of other States, as he had done those of Cordova. He therefore raifed Redoubts in proper Places, and continued his Works quite round the Town, inclosing both Ulla and Cassius within his Lines. But before they were finished, Cassius sent out all his Cavalry; who he imagined might do him great Service, by cutting

cutting off Marcelles's Provisions and Forage; and could only be an useless Incumbrance upon him, by consuming his Provisions, if he was shut up in his Camp.

KLIX. A few Days after, King Begud having received Cassus's Letters, came and joined him with all his Forces, consisting of one Legion, and several auxiliary Cohorts. For as commonly happens in civil Dissentions, some of the States of Spain at that time favoured Cassus, but a yet greater Number, Marcellus. Bogud came up to the advanced Works of Marcellus, where many sharp Skirmishes happened with various Success: however, Marcellus still kept possession of his Works.

L. MEAN-WHILE Lepidus, from the hither Province, with thirty-five legionary Cohorts, and a great Body of Horse and Auxiliaries, came to Ulla, with delign to adjust the Differences between Casses and Marcellus. Marcellus submitted without Hesitation: but Caffius kept within his Works, either because he thought his Cause the justest, or from an apprehension that his Adversary's Submission had prepossessed Lepidus in his favour. Lepidus encamped with Marcellus at Ulla, prevented a Battle, invited Cassius into his Camp, and engaged his Honour to act without Prejudice. Cashus hesitated long, but at last desired that the Circumvallation should be levelled, and free Egress given him. The Truce was not only concluded, but the Works demolished, and the Guards drawn off, when King Bogud attacked one of Marcellus's Forts, that lay nearest to his Camp, unknown to any (unless perhaps Longinus, who was not exempt from Suspicion on this occasion) and slew a great Number of his

Men. And had not Lepidus interposed, much Mischief would have been done.

LI. A free Passage being now made for Cassus, Marcellus joined Camps with Lepidus; and both together marched for Cordova, while Cassus retired to At the fame time Trebonius, the Proconful, came to take possession of the Province. fus having notice of his Arrival, fent his Legions and Cavalry into Winter-quarters, and hastened with all his Effects to Melaca, where he embarked immediately, tho' it was the Winter-Season; that he might not, as he pretended, come into the Power of Marcellus, Lepidus and Trebonius; as his Friends gave out, to avoid passing thro' a Province, great part of which had revolted from him; but as was more generally believed, to fecure the Money he had amassed by his numberless Extortions. Wind favouring him as far as could be expected at that Season of the Year, he put into the Iberus, to avoid failing in the Night; and thence continuing his Voyage, which he thought he might do with Safety, tho' the Wind blew confiderably fresher: he was encountered by fuch a Storm at the Mouth of the River, that being neither able to return, because of the Stream, nor stem the Fury of the Waves, the Ship and all that were in her perished.

LII. Cæsar arriving in Syria from Egypt, and understanding by those who attended him there from Rome, and the Letters he received at the same time; that the Government there was upon a very bad footing, and all the Affairs of the Commonwealth managed indiscreetly; that the Contests of the Tribunes were producing perpetual Seditions, and the Remisness of the Officers of the Legions destroying military Discipline; all which required his speedy Presence

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Presence to redress them: thought it yet first incumbent upon him, to settle the State of the Provinces thro' which he passed; that freeing them from domestick Contentions, and the Fear of a foreign Enemy, the Laws might have a free course. This he hoped foon to effect in Syria, Cilicia, and Afia, because these Provinces were not involved in War. In Bythinia and Pontus indeed he expected more Trouble, because he understood Pharnaces still continued in Pontus, and was not likely to quit it eafily, being flushed with the Victory he had obtained over Domitius Calvinus. He made a stiort flay in most States of Note, distributing Rewards both publickly and privately to fuch as deferved them, determining old Controversies, and receiving into his Protection the Kings, Princes, and Potentates, as well of the Provinces, as of the neighbouring Countries. And having fettled the necesfary Regulations for the Defence of the Country, he dismissed them fully satisfied with himself and the Republick.

LIII. AFTER a stay of some Days in those Parts, he named Sextus Cæsar, his Friend and Relation, to the Command of Syria, and the Legions appointed to guard it; and failed himself for Cilicia, with the Fleet he had brought from Egypt. He summoned the States to assemble at Tarjus, the strongest and finest City of the Province; where having settled every thing that regarded either it of the neighbouring Countries, his warlike Ardour would not fuffer him to tarry longer; but marching thro' Cappadocia with the utmost Expedition, where he stopped two Days at Mazaca, he arrived at Comana, renowned for the ancient and facred Temple of Bellona, where fhe is worshipped with so much Veneration, that her Priest is accounted next in Power and Dignity Vol. II. K to

to the King. He conferred this Dignity on Lycomedes of Bithynia, descended of the ancient Kings of Cappadocia, who demanded it in right of Inheritance; his Ancestors having lost it upon occasion of the Scepter's being transferred to another Line. As for Ariobarzanes, and his Brother Ariarates, who had both deserved well of the Commonwealth, he confirmed the first in his Kingdom, and put the other under his Protection; after which, he pursued his March with the same Dispatch.

LIV. Upon his approaching Pontus, and the Frontiers of Gallogracia; Dejotarus, Tetrarch of that Province, (whose Title however was disputed by the neighbouring Tetrarchs) and King of the leffer Armenia, laying aside the Regal Ornaments, and affuming the Habit not only of a private Perfon, but even of a Criminal, came in a suppliant manner to Cæsar, "To beg Forgiveness for obeying and affifting Pompey, at a time when Cafar could afford him no Protection: urging, that it was his Business to obey the Governors who were " prefent, without pretending to judge of the Dif-" putes of the People of Rome." Cæfar, after putting him in mind, " of the many Services he 66 had done him, and the Decrees he had procured in his Favour when Conful; that his Defection 46 could claim no Excuse from want of Informa-"tion, because one of his Industry and Prudence " could not but know who was Master of Italy and Rome; where the Senate, the People, and "the Majesty of the Republick resided; who in "fine was Consul after Marcellus and Lentulus: " told him, that he would notwithstanding forgive his present Fault; in consideration of his past 46 Services, the former Friendship that had subsisted 66 between them, the Respect due to his Age, and " the

the Solicitation of those who interceeded in his behalf: adding, that he would refer the Contro"versy relating to the Tetrarchate to another time."
He restored him the Royal Habit, and commanded him to join him with all his Cavalry, and the Legion he had trained up after the Roman Manner.

LV. WHEN he was arrived in Pontus, and had drawn all his Forces together, which were not very confiderable either for their Number or Discipline; (for except the fixth Legion, composed of veteran Soldiers, which he had brought with him from Alexandria, and which by its many Labours and Dangers, the length of its Marches and Voyages, and the frequent Wars in which it had been engaged, was reduced to less than a thousand Men; he had only the Legion of Dejotarus, and two more that had been in the late Battle between Domitius and Pharnaces:) Ambaffadors arrived from Pharnaces. To intreat that Cafar would not look upon him as an Enemy, he being ready to submit to all his "Commands." Particularly they represented, "That Pharnaces had granted no Aid to Pompey, as Dejotarus had done, whom he had nevertheless par-" doned." Cæsar replied, "That Pharnaces should meet with the utmost Justice, if he performed his Promises: but at the same time admonished the Ambassadors in gentle Terms, to forbeat mentioning Dejotarus, and not to over-rate the " having refused Aid to Pompey. He told them, 66 he was always ready to forgive the Suppliant, but would never look upon private Services to himfelf, as an Atonement for publick Injuries done the Province: That Pharnaces's Refusal of aiding Pompey, had turned chiefly to his own Advantage, as he had thereby avoided all share in the Difaster of Pharfalia: That he was how-K 2

ever willing to forgive the Injuries done to the " Roman Citizens in Pontus, because it was now too " late to think of redressing them; as he could " neither restore Life to the dead, or Manhood to "those he had deprived of it, by a Punishment "more intolerable to the Romans than Death itself. "But that he must quit Pontus immediately, send " back the Farmers of the Revenues, and restore " to the Romans and their Allies, what he unjustly " detained from them. These Things performed, " he might then fend the Presents which successful "Generals were wont to receive from " Friends:" (for Pharnaces had fent him a golden Crown.) With this Answer he dismissed the Am-·bassadors.

LVI. PHARNACES promised every thing: but hoping that Cees ar, who was in haste to be gone, would give easy Credit to whatever he said, that he might the sooner set out upon more urgent Affairs; (for every body knew that his Presence was much wanted at Rome,) he performed but slowly, wanted to protract the Day of his departure, demanded other Conditions, and in fine endeavoured to elude his Engagements. Cees perceiving his Drist, did now out of Necessity, what he was usually wont to do thro' Inclination, and resolved to decide the Affair as soon as possible by a Battle.

LVII. ZIELA is a Town of *Pontus*, well fortified, tho' fituated in a Plain. For a natural Eminence, as if raised by Art, sustains the Walls on all sides. All around are a great number of large Mountains, intersected by Valleys. The highest of these, samed by the Vistory of *Mitbridates*, the Deseat of *Triarius*, and the Destruction of our Army, is not above three Miles from *Ziela*, and

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has a Ridge that almost extends to the Town. Here *Pharnaces* lodged himself with all his Forces, repairing the Fortifications of a Camp which had proved so fortunate to his Father.

LVIII. CÆSAR encamped about five Miles from the Enemy; and observing that the Valleys which defended the King's Camp, would likewise defend his own at the same Distance, if the Enemy, who were much nearer, did not seize them before him; he ordered a great quantity of Fascines to be brought within the Intrenchments. This being quickly performed; next Night, at the fourth Watch, leaving all the Baggage in the Camp, he fet out with the Legions; and arriving at Day-break unfuspected by the Enemy, possessed himself of the same Post where Mitbridates had defeated Triarius. commanded all the Fascines to be brought, employing the Servants of the Army for that Purpofe, that the Soldiers might not be called off from the Works; because the Valley, which divided the Eminence where he was intrenching himself, from the Enemy, was not above a Mile over,

LIX. PHARNACES perceiving this next Morning, ranged all his Troops in order of Battle before his Camp. But the approach towards us was so dangerous, that Casar concluded it to be no more than a Review; or done with design to retard his Works, by keeping a great number of his Men under Arms; or perhaps for Ostentation, to shew that he trusted no less to his Army, than the advantage of his Post. Therefore keeping only his first Line in order of Battle, he commanded the rest of the Army to go on with the Works. But Pharnaces, either prompted by the Place itself, which had been so fortunate to his Father; or induced by favourable K 3 Omens,

Omens, as we were afterwards told; or despising the small number of our Men that were in Arms; for he took all that were employed in carrying Materials to the Works to be Soldiers; or confiding in his veteran Army, who valued themselves upon having defeated the twenty-second Legion; and at the same time contemning our Troops, whom he had worsted under Domitius: was determined upon a Battle, and to that end began to cross the Valley. Casar at first laughed at his Ostentation, in crowding his Army into so narrow a Place, where no Enemy in his right Senses would have ventured; while in the mean-time Pharnaces continued his March, and began to ascend the steep Hill on which Casar was posted.

LX. CESAR astonished at his incredible Rashness and Confidence, and finding himself suddenly and unexpectedly attacked, called off his Soldiers from the Works, ordered them to Arms, opposed the Legions to the Enemy, and ranged his Troops in order of Battle. The fuddenness of the thing occasioned some Terror at first; and the Chariots armed with Scythes, falling in with our Ranks before they were compleated, disordered them considerably: however, the multitude of Darts difcharged against them, soon put a stop to their career. The Enemy's Army followed them close, and began the Battle with a Shout. Our advantageous situation, but especially the assistance of the Gods, who preside over all the Events of War, and more particularly those where human Conduct can be of no service, favoured us greatly on this Occasion.

LXI. AFTER a sharp and obstinate Conslict, Victory began to declare for us on the right Wing, where

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where the fixth Legion was posted. The Enemy there was totally overthrown; but in the center and left the Battle was long and doubtful: however, with the affiftance of the same Gods, we at last prevailed there also, and drove them with the utmost Precipitation down the Hill, which they had fo easily ascended before. Great numbers being slain, and many crushed by the slight of their own Troops, fuch as had the good Fortune to escape were nevertheless obliged to throw away their Arms; so that having crossed the Valley, and got upon the opposite Ascent, they could yet, because unarmed, derive no benefit from the advantage of the Ground. Our Men flushed with Victory made no scruple to follow them, and even attack their Camp; which they foon forced, notwithstanding the Resistance made by the Cohorts left by Pharnaces to guard it. Almost the whole Army was cut to pieces or made Prisoners. Pharmaces himself escaped with a few Horse; and had not our Soldiers been detained fome time by the Affault of the Camp, he must certainly have fallen alive into Cafar's hands.

LXII. Tho Casar was accustomed to Victory, yet the present Success gave him no small Joy; because he had so speedily put an end to a very great War. The remembrance too of the Danger to which he had been exposed, enhanced the Pleasure, as he had obtained an easy Victory in a very difficult Conjuncture. Having thus recovered Pontus, and abandoned the Plunder of the Enemy's Camp to the Soldiers, he set out next Day with a Guard of light Horse. The sixth Legion had Orders to return to Italy, to receive the Honours and Rewards they had merited: the auxiliary Troops of Dejotarus were sent home: and Calius Vincianus was left

with two Legions to protect the Kingdom of Pontus.

LXIII. THRO' Gallogracia and Bithynia he went into Asia, settling all the Controversies of the Provinces as he passed, and establishing the Limits and Jurisdictions of the several Kings, States, and Te-Mitbridates of Pergamus, who had fo trarchs. speedily and successfully served him in Egypt, as we have related above, a Man of royal Descent and Education, (for Mithridates King of all Afia, out of regard to his Birth, had carried him along with him when very young, and kept him in his Camp feveral Years,) was appointed King of Bosphorus, which had belonged to Pharnaces. And thus were the Provinces of the Roman People screened from the Attempts of barbarous and hostile Kings, by the Interpolition of a Prince steddily attached to the Interests of the Republick. To this was added the Tetrarchate of Gallogratia, which belonged to him of right, tho' it had been possessed for some Years by Dejotarus. Thus Cafar, staying no where longer than the necessity of Affairs required, and having fettled all things relating to the Provinces with the utmost success and dispatch, returned to Italy much fooner than was expected,

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ESAR fetting out for Rome, advanced by moderate Journeys towards Sicily; and continuing his March without intermiffion, arrived on the nineteenth of December at Lilybæum. Designing to embark immediately, though he had only one Legion of new Levies, and not quite fix hundred Horse, he ordered his Tent to be pitched so near the Sea-side, that the Waves flowed up to the very foot of it. This he did with a view to take away all hopes of Delay, and keep his Men in readiness at a Day or an Hour's Warning. The Wind at that time proving contrary, he nevertheless suffered none of the Soldiers or Mariners to come on Shore, that he might lose no Opportunity of sailing; the rather, because the Inhabitants of the Province were perperually talking of the mighty Forces of the Enemy; a Cavalry not to be numbered; four Legions headed by Juba, together with a great Body of light-armed Troops; ten Legions under the Command of Scipio; an hundred and twenty Elephants, and Fleets in abundance. Yet all these Reports alarmed him not, nor ought abated his Resolution and Confidence. Mean-time the Number of Gallies and Transports increased daily; the new levied Legions slocked in to him from all Parts; among the rost the fifth, a veteran Legion, and about two thousand Horse.

II. HAVING got together fix Legions, and about two thousand Horse; he embarked the Legions as fast as they arrived, in the Gallies; and the Cavalry in the Transports. Then sending the greatest part of the Fleet before, with Orders to fail for the Island of Aponiana, not far from Lilybeum; he himself continued a little longer in Sicily. to expose to publick Sale some confiscated Estates. Leaving all other Affairs to the care of Allienus the Prætor, who then commanded in the Mand; and ftrictly charging him to use the utmost Expedition in embarking the remainder of the Troops; he fet fail the twenty-feventh of December, and foon came up with the rest of the Fleet. As the Wind was favourable, and afforded a quick Passage, he arrived the fourth Day within fight of Africa, attended by a few Gallies: for the Transports, being mostly dispersed and scattered by the Winds, were driven different Ways. Passing Clupea and Neapolis with the Fleet, he continued for some time to coast along the Shore, leaving many Towns and Caftles behind him.

III. WHEN he came before Adrumetum, where the Enemy had a Garrison commanded by C. Confidius:

Edius; and where Ca. Pilo appeared upon the Shore towards Clupea, with the Cavalry of Adrenature, and about two thousand Moors; having stopt a while facing the Port, 'till the rest of the Fleet should come up, he landed his Men, the' their murnber at that time did not exceed three thousand Foot, and an hundred and fifty Horse. There encamping before the Town, he continued quiet in his Intrenchments, without offering any act of Hostility. or fuffering his Men to plunder the Country. Meantime the Inhabitants manned the Walls, and afsembled in great numbers before the Gates, to defend the Town, whose Garrison amounted to two Legions. Cafar having taken a view of the Place. and thoroughly examined its fituation on all fides. returned to his Camp. Some blamed his Conduct on this Occasion, and charged him with a considerable Overlight, in not appointing a place of Rendezvous to the Pilots and Captains of the Fleet. or at least not delivering them sealed Instructions, according to his usual Custom, which being opened at a certain time, might have directed them where to affemble. But in this Gefar acted not without Design: for as he knew of no Port in Africa that was clear of the Enemy's Forces, and where the Fleet might rendezvous in Security, he chose to rely en. tirely upon Fortune, and land where Occasion offered.

IV. In the mean-time L. Plancus, one of Cafar's Lieutenants, defired leave to treat with Confideus, and try, if possible, to bring him to Reason. Leave being granted accordingly, he wrote him a Letter, and fent it into the Town by a Messenger. When the Messenger arrived, and presented the Letter; Considius demanding whence it came, and being told from Cafar the Roman General, answered; that he

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knew no General of the Roman Forces but Scipio: Then commanding the Messenger to be immediated ly slain in his presence, he delivered the Letter unopened to a trusty Partizan, with Orders to carry it directly to Scipio.

V. CESAR had now continued a Day and a Night before the Town, without receiving any Anfwer from Confidius; the rest of the Forces were not yet arrived; his Cavalry was very inconfiderable; the Troops he had with him were mostly new Levies, and not sufficiently numerous to invest the Place; neither did he think it adviseable, upon his first landing, to expose the Army to Wounds and Fatigue; more especially, as the Town was strongly fortified, extremely difficult of access, and the Garrison full of Spirits, in expectation of a great Body of Horse, who were said to be upon their March to join them. For all these Reasons he determined not to attempt a Siege; left, while he purfued that Design, the Enemy's Cavalry should come behind and furround him. But as he was drawing off his Men, the Garrison made a sudden Sally; and Juba's Horse, whom he had sent to receive their Pay, happening just then to come up; they jointly took possession of the Camp Casar had left, and began to harrass his Rear. This being perceived, the Legionaries immediately halted; and the Cavalry, tho' few in number, boldly charged the vast multitude of the Enemy. On this Occasion it was, that less than thirty Gallick Horse, by an incredible and aftonishing effort of Valour, repulsed two thousand Moors, and drove them quite within the Town. Having thus compelled the Enemy to retire, and shelter themselves behind their Walls, Casar resumed his intended March: but observing that they often repeated their Sallies, renewing newing the Pursuit from time to time, and again flying when attacked by the Horse; he posted some veteran Cohorts, with part of the Cavalry in the rear, to cover his Retreat, and so proceeded slowly on his March. The farther he advanced from Adrumetum, the less eager were the Numidians to pursue. Mean-time Deputies arrived from the several Towns and Castles on the Road, offering to surnish him with Corn, and receive his Commands. Towards the Evening of that Day, which was the first of January, he reached Ruspina, and there fixed his Camp.

VL THENCE he removed, and came before Leptis, a free City, and governed by its own Laws. Here he was also met by Deputies from the Town, who came in the name of the Inhabitants, to make an offer of their Submission and Services. Whereupon placing Centurions and a Guard before the Gates, to prevent the Soldiers from entering, or offering violence to any of the Inhabitants; he himfelf encamped towards the Shore, not far distant from the Town. Hither by accident arrived some of the Gallies and Transports, by whom he was informed, that the rest of the Fleet, uncertain what course to pursue, had been steering for Utica. This obliged him to keep with the Army near the Sea, and avoid marching into the inland Provinces, that he might be at hand to join his Troops upon their He likewise sent the Cavalry back to their Ships, probably to hinder the Country from being plundered, and ordered fresh Water to be carried to them on board. Mean-while the Rowers, who were employed in this Service, were fuddenly and unexpectedly attacked by the Moorish Horse, who killed fome, and wounded many with their Darts. For the manner of these Barbarians is, to lie in ambush Vol. II. L

ambush with their Horses among the Valleys, and suddenly lanch upon an Enemy; they seldom choosing to engage hand to hand in a Plain.

VII. In the mean time Cafar dispatched Letters and Messengers into Sardinia, and the neighbouring Provinces, with Orders, as foon as the Letters. came to hand, to fend Supplies of Men, Corn, and warlike Stores; and having unloaded part of the Fleet, detached it with Rabirius Postbumus into Sicily, to bring over the fecond Embarkation. the fame time he ordered out ten Gallies, to get intelligence of the Transports that had missed their way, and maintain the freedom of the Sea. C. Sallustius Crispus, the Prætor, was likewise sent out at the head of a Squadron, to seize Cercina, then in the hands of the Enemy, because he heard there was great store of Corn in that Island: In giving these Orders and Instructions, he used all possible Endeavours to leave no room for Excuse or Delay. Mean-while having informed himself, from the Deferters and Natives, of the condition of Scipio and his Followers; and understanding that they were at the whole Charge of maintaining Juba's Cavalry ; he could not but pity the infatuation of Men, who thus rather chose to be Tributaries to the King of Numidia, than fecurely enjoy their Fortunes at home with their Fellow-Citizens.

VIII. The third of January he decamped; and leaving fix Cohorts at Leptis, under the command of Saserna, returned with the rest of the Forces to Ruspina, whence he had come the Day before. Here he deposited the Baggage of the Army; and marching out with a light Body of Troops to forage, ordered the Inhabitants to follow with their Horses and Carriages. Having by this means got together

a great quantity of Corn, he came back to Ruspina. His design was, as far as I can judge, that by keeping possession of the maritime Cities, and providing them with Garrisons, he might secure a Retreat for his Fleet.

IX. LEAVING therefore P. Saserna, the Brother of him who commanded at Leptis, to take charge of the Town with one Legion, and ordering all the Wood that could be found to be carried into the Place; he set out from Ruspina with seven Cohorts, part of the veteran Legions, who had behaved so well in the Fleet under Sulpicius and Vatinius; and marching directly for the Port, which lies at about two Miles distance, embarked with them in the Evening, without imparting his Intentions to the Army, who were extremely inquisitive concerning the General's Design. His departure occasioned the utmost Sadness and Consternation among the Troops: for being few in number, mostly new Levies, and those not all suffered to land; they faw themselves exposed upon a foreign Coast, to the mighty Forces of a crasty Nation, supported by an innumerable Cavalry. they any Resource in their present Circumstances, or expectation of fafety in their own Conduct; but derived all their Hope from the Alacrity, Vigour, and wonderful Chearfulness, that appeared in the General's Countenance: for he was of an intrepid Spirit, and behaved with undaunted Resolution and Confidence. On his Conduct therefore they entirely relied, and promised themselves to a Man, that under so able and experienced a Leader, all Difficulties would vanish before them.

X. Cæsar having continued the whole Night on board, about Day-break prepared to fet fail;

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when all on a fudden, the part of the Fleet that had given fo much Concern, appeared unexpectedly in Wherefore ordering his Men to quit their Ships immediately, and receive the rest of the Troops in Arms upon the Shore; he made the new Fleet enter the Port with the utmost Diligence; and landing all the Forces, Horse and Foot, returned again to Ruspina. Here he established his Camp; and taking with him thirty Cohorts without Baggage, advanced into the Country to forage. Thus was Cæsar's Purpose at length discovered: that he meant, unknown to the Enemy, to have failed to the affistance of the Transports, that had missed their way, lest they should unexpectedly fall in with the African Fleet. Nor would he even impart his Design to his own Soldiers left behind in Garrison; from an Apprehension, that when they came to reflect upon their own weakness, and the strength of the Enemy, they might too much give way to Fear.

XI. CESAR had not marched above three miles from his Camp, when he was informed by his Scouts, and some advanced Parties of Horse, that the Enemy's Forces were in view. At the same time a great Cloud of Dust began to appear. Upon this Intelligence, Cafar ordered all his Horse, of which he had at that time but a very small number, to advance; as likewise his Archers, only a few of whom had followed him from the Camp; and the Legions to march after him in order of Battle: while he went forward at the head of a small Party. Soon after, having discovered the Enemy at some distance, he commanded the Soldiers to repair to their Arms, and prepare for Battle. Their number in all did not exceed thirty Cohorts, with about four hundred Horse, and the Archers.

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XII. Mean-while the Enemy, under the command of Labienus, and the two Pacidii, drew up with a very large Front, confisting mostly of Horse, whom they intermixed with light-armed Numidians and Archers; forming themselves in such close orner, that Casar's Army at a distance mistook them all for Infantry; and strengthening their right and left with many Squadrons of Horse. Casar drew up his Army in one Line, obliged to it by the smallness of his numbers; covering his front with the Archers, and placing his Cavalry in the two Wings, with particular Instructions not to suffer themselves to be surrounded by the Enemy's numerous Horse; for he imagined that he was to have to do only with Insantry.

XIII. As both fides stood in expectation of the Signal, and Cæfar chose to continue without stirring from his Post, as being sensible, that with such sew Troops, against so great a Force, he must depend more on Conduct and Contrivance than Strength; on a fudden the Enemy began to extend themselves, foread out upon the Hills on every fide, and prepare to furround our Horse, who were hardly able to maintain their Ground against them. Meanwhile both the main Bodies advancing to engage, the Enemy's Cavalry, intermixed with some lightarmed Numidians, fuddenly sprung forward, and attacked the Legions with a shower of Darts. Our Men preparing to return the Charge, their Horse retreated a little, while the Foot continued to maintain their Ground, 'till the others having rallied, came on again with fresh Vigour to sustain them.

XIV. CESAR perceiving that his Ranks were in danger of being broken by this new way of fighting,

(for our Foot, in pursuing the Enemy's Horse as they retreated, being forced to advance a confiderable way beyond their Colours, were flanked by the light-armed Numidians; while at the same time they could do but little execution against the Cavalry, by reason of the quickness wherewith they retired,) gave express Orders, that no Soldier should advance above four Foot beyond the Enfigns. Mean-while Labienus's Cavalry confiding in their numbers, endeavoured to furround those of Casar ; who being few in number, and overpowered by the multitude of the Enemy, were forced to give ground a little, their Horles being almost all wounded. The Enemy encouraged by this, pressed on more and more; so that in an instant the Legions being furrounded on all fides, were obliged to cast themselves into an Orb, and fight as if inclosed with Barriers.

XV. LABIENUS with his Head uncovered, advanced on horseback to the front of the Battle to encourage his Men. Sometimes addressing Cafar's Legions: " Soho you raw Soldiers there, fays he, " why so fierce? Has he infatuated you too with his Words? Truly he has brought you into a " fine Condition: I pity you fincerely." Upon this one of the Soldiers: "I am none of your raw Warriors, but a Veteran of the tenth Legi-" on." Where's your Standard? replied Labienus. "I'll foon make you fenfible who I am, answered " the Soldier." Then pulling off his Helmet to discover himself, he threw a Javelin with all his strength at Labienus, which wounding his Horse feverely in the Breast: "Know, Labienus, says he, " that this Dart was thrown by a Soldier of the 56 tenth Legion." However, the whole Army was not a little daunted, especially the new Levies; and

began to cast their Eyes upon Casar, minding nothing for the present but to defend themselves from the Enemy's Darts.

XVI. CASAR mean-while perceiving the Enemy's Design, endeavoured to extend his order of Battle as much as possible, directing the Cohorts to face about alternately to the right and left. By this means he broke the Enemy's Circle with his right and left Wings; and attacking one part of them thus separated from the other, with his Horse and Foot, at last put them to slight. He pursued them but a little way, searing an Ambuscade, and returned again to his own Men. The same was done by the other Division of Casar's Horse and Foot; so that the Enemy being driven back on all sides, he retreated towards his Camp in order of Battle.

XVII. MEAN-TIME M. Petreius, and Cn. Pilo, with eleven hundred felect Numidian Horse, and a confiderable Body of Foot, arrived to the affiftance of the Enemy: who recovering from their Terror upon this Reinforcement, and again refuming Courage, fell upon the rear of the Legions as they retreated, and endeavoured to hinder them from reaching their Camp. Casar perceiving this, ordered his Men to wheel about and renew the Battle. the Enemy still pursued their former Plan, and avoided a close Engagement; Casar considering that the Horses had not yet recovered the fatigue of their late Voyage; that they were besides weakened with Thirst, Weariness, and Wounds, and of course unfit for a vigorous and long Pursuit, which even the time of the Day would not allow, ordered both Horse and Foot to fall at once briskly upon the Enemy, and not flacken the Pursuit 'till they had driven them quite beyond the farthest Hills, and L 4 taken taken possession of them themselves. Accordingly upon a Signal given, the Enemy sighting in a faint and careless manner, he suddenly charged them with his Horse and Foot; who in a moment driving them from the Field, and over the adjoining Hill, kept possession of that Post for some time, and then retired slowly in order of Battle to their Camp. The Enemy, who in this last Attack had been very rudely handled, thought proper likewise to do the same.

XVIII. THE Action being over, a great number of Deserters of all kinds flocked to Casar's Camp, besides multitudes of Horse and Foot that were made Prisoners. By them we learnt, that it was the design of the Enemy to have astonished our raw Troops with their new and uncommon manner of fighting, and after furrounding them with their Cavalry, to have cut them to pieces, as they had. done Curio; and that they had marched against us expresly with that Intention. Labienus had even faid in the Council of War, that he would lead fuch a numerous Body of Troops against us, as should fatigue us with the very Slaughter, and defeat us even in the bosom of Victory; for he relied more on the Number than the Valour of his Troops. He had heard of the Mutiny of the veteran Legions at Rome, and their refusal to go into Africa; and was likewise well assured of the Fidelity of his Troops, who had ferved three Years under him in Africa. He had a great number of Numidian Cavalry and light-armed Troops, besides the Gallick and German Horse, whom he had drawn together out of the remains of *Pompey's Army*, and carried over with him from Brundusium; he had likewise the Freed-men raised in the Country, and trained to fight on horse-back; and the multitude of Juba's Forces, his hundred and twenty Elephants, his innumerable

numerable Cavalry and Legionaries, amounting to above twelve thousand. Emboldened by the Hope such mighty Forces raised in him; on the fourth of January, six Days after Casar's Arrival, he came against him with sixteen hundred Gallick and German Horse, nine hundred under Petreius, eight thousand Numidians, sour times that number of light-armed Foot, with a multitude of Archers and Slingers. The Battle lasted from eleven 'till Sun-set, during which Petreius receiving a dangerous Wound, was obliged to quit the Field.

XIX. MEAN-TIME Cafar fortified his Camp with much greater care, reinforced the Guards, and threw up two Intrenchments; one from Ruspina, quite to the Sea; the other from his Camp to the Sea likewise; to secure the Communication, and receive Supplies without Danger. He landed a great number of Darts and military Engines, armed part of the Mariners, Gauls, Rhodians, and others, that after the example of the Enemy, he might have a number of light-armed Troops to intermix with his Cavalry. He likewise strengthened his Army with a great number of Syrian and Iturean Archers, whom he drew from the Fleet into his Camp: for he understood, that within three Days Scipio was expected with all his Forces, confifting of eight Legions, and four thousand Horse. the same time he established Work-shops, made a great number of Darts and Arrows, provided himself with leaden Bullets and Palisades, wrote to Stily for Hurdles and Wood to make Rams, because he had none in Africa, and likewise gave Orders for fending Corn; for the Harvest in that Country was like to be inconsiderable, the Enemy having taken all the Labourers into their Service the Year before, and stored up the Grain in a few forfortified Towns, after demolishing the rest, forcing the Inhabitants into their garrisoned Places, and laying waste the whole Country.

XX. In this Necessity, by soothing the People, he obtained a small Supply, and husbanded it with care. Mean-time he was very exact in visiting the Works, and relieving the Guards. Labienus sent his Sick and Wounded, of which the number was very considerable, in Waggons to Adrumetum. Mean-while Casar's Transports, unacquainted with the Coast, or where their General had landed, wandered up and down in great Uncertainty; and being attacked one after another by the Enemy's Coasters, were for the most part either taken or burnt. Casar being informed of this, stationed his Fleet along the Coast and Islands, for the security of his Convoys.

tacked one after another by the Enemy's Coasters, being informed of this, stationed his Fleet along the Coast and Islands, for the security of his XXI. MEAN-WHILE M. Cato, who commanded in Utica, never ceased urging and exhorting young Pompey, in Words to this effect: "Your Father, when he was at your Age, and observed the "Commonwealth oppressed by wicked and daring 66 Men, and the honest Party either slain, or driven by Banishment from their Country and Relations; incited by the greatness of his Mind, and the love " of Glory; tho' then very young, and only a pri-" vate Man, had yet the Courage to rally the re-" mains of his Father's Army, and deliver Rome " from the Yoke of Slavery and Tyranny under " which it groaned. He also recovered Sicily, Africa, " Numidia, Mauritania, with amazing Dispatch; " and by that means gained an illustrious and ex-" tensive Reputation among all Nations, and " triumphed at three and twenty while but a Roman "Knight. Nor did he enter upon the Administra-" tion

tion of publick Affairs, distinguished by the " shining Exploits of his Father, or the Fame and Reputation of his Ancestors, or the Honours " and Dignities of the State. You, on the con-46 trary, possessed of these Honours, and the Re-" putation acquired by your Father; sufficiently "diftinguished by your own Industry and greatness of Mind; will you not bestir yourself, join your Father's Friends, and vindicate your own Liberty, that of the Commonwealth, and of every "good and honest Man." The Youth, roused by the Remonstrances of that grave and worthy Senator, got together about thirty fail of all forts, of which some few were Ships of War, and failing from Utica to Mauritania, invaded the Kingdom of Bogud. And leaving his Baggage behind him, with an Army of two thousand Men, partly Freemen, partly Slaves, fome armed, fome not, approached the Town of Ascurum, in which the King had a Garrison. The Inhabitants suffered him to advance to the very Walls and Gates; when failying out all on a fudden, they drove him quite back to his This ill Success determined him to leave Ships. that Coast, nor did he afterwards land in any Place, but steered directly for the Balearean Isles.

XXII. MEAN-TIME Scipio, leaving a strong Garrison at Utica, began his March with the Forces we have described above, and encamped first at Adrumetum; when after a stay of a sew Days, setting out in the Night, he joined Petreius and Labienus, lodging all the Forces in one Camp, about three Miles distant from Cesar's. Their Cavalry were making continual Excursions to our very Works, intercepted those who ventured too far in quest of Wood or Water, and obliged us to keep within our Intrenchments. This soon occasioned a great scarcity

fcarcity of Provisions among Casar's Men, because no Supplies had yet arrived from Sicily or Sardinia. The Season too was dangerous for Navigation, and he did not possess above six Miles every way in Africa, which also greatly straitened him for want of Forage. The veteran Soldiers and Cavalry, who had been engaged in many Wars both by Sea and Land, and often struggled with Wants and Missortunes of this kind, gathering Sea-weed, and washing it in fresh Water, by that means subsisted their Horses and Cattle.

XXIII. WHILE things were in this fituation, King Juba being informed of Casar's Difficulties, and the few Troops he had with him, resolved not to allow him time to remedy his Wants, or increase his Army. Accordingly he left his Kingdom at the head of a great Body of Horse and Foot, and marched to join his Allies. Mean-time P. Sitius, and King Bogud, having Intelligence of Juba's March; joined their Forces, entered Numidia, and laying fiege to Cirta, the most opulent City in the Country, carried it in a few Days, with two others belonging to the Getulians. They had offered the Inhabitants leave to depart in fafety, if they would peaceably deliver up the Towns: but these Conditions being rejected, they were taken by storm, and the Citizens all put to the Sword. They then fell to ravaging the Country, and laying all the Cities under Contribution: of which Juba having Intelligence; tho' he was upon the point of joining Scipie and the other Chiefs, he determined to return to the Relief of his own Kingdom, rather than run the hazard of being driven from it while he was affifting others, and perhaps after all miscarry too in his Designs against Casar. He therefore retired with his Troops, leaving only thirty Elephants behind him. him, and marched to the Relief of his own Cities and Territories.

XXIV. MEAN-WHILE Cefar, knowing that the Province still doubted of his Arrival, and imagined that not himself in person, but some of his Lieutenants had come over with the Forces lately fent; dispatched Letters to all the several States, to inform them of his Presence. Upon this many Persons of Rank fled to his Camp, complaining of the Barbarity and Cruelty of the Enemy. Hitherto he had continued quiet in his Post; but touched with their Fears, and a sense of their Sufferings, he refolved to take the Field as foon as the Weather would permit, and he could draw his Troops together. He immediately dispatched Letters into Sicily, to Allienus and Rabirius Postbumus the Prætors, that without Delay or Excuse, either of the Winter or the Winds, they must fend over the rest of the Troops, to fave Africa from utter Ruin; because without some speedy Remedy, not a single House would be left standing, nor any thing escape the Fury and Ravages of the Enemy. But such was his Impatience, and so long did the time appear, that from the Day the Letters were fent, he complained without ceasing of the Delay of the Fleet, and had his Eyes Night and Day turned towards the Sea. Nor ought we to wonder at his Behaviour on this occasion: for he saw the Villages burnt, the Country laid waste, the Cattle destroyed, the Towns plundered, the principal Citizens either slain or put in Chains, and their Children dragged into Servitude under the Name of Hostages; nor could he, amidst all this Scene of Misery, afford any Relief to those who implored his Protection, because of the small Number of his Forces. He kept the Soldiers however at work upon the Intrenchments, built

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built Forts and Redoubts, and carried on his Lines quite to the Sea.

XXV. MEAN-WHILE Scipio made use of the following Contrivance for training and disciplining his Elephants. He drew up two Parties in order of Battle; one of Slingers, who were to act as Enemies, and discharge small Stones against the Elephants; and fronting them, the Elephants themfelves, in one Line, with his whole Army behind them in Battle-Array; that when the Enemy, by their Discharge of Stones, had frightened the Elephants, and forced them to turn upon their own Men, they might again be made to face the Enemy, by the Vollies of Stones from the Army behind The Work however went on but flowly, because these Animals, after many Years teaching, are often no less prejudicial to those who bring them into the Field, than to the Enemy against whom they were intended.

XXVI. WHILST the two Generals were thus employed near Ruspina, C. Virgilius Pratorius, who commanded in Thapfus, a maritime City, observing fome of Cæsar's Transports that had missed their way, uncertain where he had landed or held his Camp; and thinking that a fair Opportunity offered of destroying them, manned a Galley that was in the Port with Soldiers and Archers, and joining with it a few armed Barks, began to pursue Casar's Ships. Tho' he was repulsed on several Occasions he still pursued his Design, and at last fell in with one, on board of which were two young Spaniards, of the Name of Titus, who were Tribunes of the fifth Legion, and whose Father had been made a Senator by Cæsar. There was with them a Centurion of the same Legion, T. Salienus by Name, who

had invested the House of M. Messala, Casar's Lieutenant, at Messala, and expressed himself in very seditious Language, nay even seized the Money and Ornaments destined for Casar's Triumph, and for that reason dreaded his Resentment. He, conscious of his Demerits, persuaded the young Men to surrender themselves to Virgilius, by whom they were sent under a strong Guard to Scipio, and three Days after put to death. It is said that the elder Titus begged of the Centurions who were charged with the Execution, that he might be first put to death; which being easily granted, they both suffered according to their Sentence.

XXVII. THE Cavalry that mounted Guard in the two Camps were continually skirnishing with one another. Sometimes too the German and Gallick Cavalry of Labienus entered into Discourse with those of Casar. Mean-time Labienus, with a Party of Horse, endeavoured to surprise the Town of Lapris, which Saserna guarded with three Cohorts; but was easily repulsed, because the Town was Arongly fortified, and well provided with warlike Engines. But at several times he renewed the Attempt; one Day, as a strong Squadron of the Enemy had posted themselves before the Gate, their Officer being flain by an Arrow discharged from a Scorpion, the rest were terrified and took to flight; by which means the Town was delivered from any further Attempts.

XXVIII. At the fame time Scipia daily drew up his Troops in order of Battle, about three hundred Paces from his Camp; and after continuing in Arms the greatest part of the Day, retreated again to his Camp in the Evening. This he did several times, no one mean-while offering to stir out of Carlar's

far's Camp, or approach his Forces; which Forbearance and Tranquillity gave him such a Contempt of Cafar and his Army, that drawing out all his Forces, and his thirty Elephants with Towers on their Backs, and extending his Horse and Foot as wide as possible, he approached quite up to Casar's Intrenchments. Upon this Cafar quietly, and without Noise or Confusion, recalled to his Camp all that were gone out either in quest of Forage, Wood, or to work upon the Fortifications: he likewise ordered the Cavalry that were upon Guard, not to quit their Post 'till the Enemy were within reach of Dart; and if they then perfifted to advance, to retire in good Order within the Intrenchments. rest of the Cavalry were enjoined to hold themselves in readiness upon the first notice. These Orders were not given by himself in person, or after viewing the Disposition of the Enemy from the Rampart: but sitting in his Tent, and informing himfelf of their Motions by his Scouts, such was his confummate Knowledge in the Art of War, that he gave all the necessary Directions by his Officers. He very well knew, that, whatever Confidence the Enemy might have in their Numbers, they would yet never dare to attack the Camp of a General, who had so often repulsed, terrified, and put them to flight; who had frequently pardoned and granted them their Lives; and whose very Name had Weight and Authority enough to intimidate their Army. He was besides well intrenched with a high Rampart and deep Ditch, the Approaches to which were rendered fo difficult, by the sharp Spikes which he had disposed in a very artful manner, that they were even sufficient of themselves to keep off the Enemy. He was likewise well provided with military Engines, and all forts of Weapons necessary for a vigorous Defence, which comper fated in some meafure. measure for the sewnels of his Troops, and the inexperience of his new Levies. His Forbearance therefore did not proceed from Fear, or any distruct of the Valour of his Troops; but because he was unwilling to purchase a bloody Victory over the shattered Remains of his dispersed Enemies, after such a series of great Actions, Conquests, and Triumphs; and therefore resolved to hear their Insults and Bravadoes, till the Arrival of his veteran Legions by the second Embarkation.

XXIX. Scipio, after a short stay before the Intrenchments, as if in contempt of Casar, withdrew flowly to his Camp; and having called the Soldiers together, enlarged upon the Terror and Despair of the Enemy: when encouraging his Men, he affured them of a compleat Victory in a short time. made his Soldiers again return to the Works, and under pretence of fortifying his Camp, inured the new Levies to Labour and Fatigue. Mean-time the Numidians and Getulians deserted daily from Scipio's Camp. Part returned home; part came over to Gasar, because they understood he was related to C. Marius, from whom their Ancestors had received confiderable Favours. Of these he selected fome of diffinguished Rank, and sent them home . with Letters to their Countrymen, exhorting them to levy Troops for their own defence, and not liften to the Suggestions of his Enemies.

XXX. WHILE these things pass near Ruspina, Deputies from Acilla, and all the neighbouring Towns, arrive in Casar's Camp, with offers of Submission, and to supply him with Corn and other Necessaries, if he would fend Garrisons to protect them from the Enemy. Casar readily complied with their Demands, and having assigned a Garvison,

rison, sent C. Messus, who had been Ædile, to command in Acilla. Upon Intelligence of this, Considus Longus, who was at Adrumetum with two Legions and seven hundred Horse, leaving a Garrison in that City, posted to Acilla at the head of eight Cohorts: but Messus having accomplished his March with great expedition, arrived first at the Place. When Considus therefore approached, and found Casar's Garrison in possession of the Town, not daring to make any Attempt, he returned again to Adrumetum. But some Days after, Labienus having sent him a Reinforcement of Horse, he found himself in a condition to renew the Siege.

XXXI. Much about the fame time C. Sallufium Crispus, who, as we have seen, had been sent a few Days before to Cercina with a Fleet, arrived in that Island. Upon which C. Decimus the Queestor, who, with a strong Party of his own Domesticks. had charge of the Magazines erected there, went on board a small Vessel and sled. Sallustius mean-while was well received by the Cercinates, and finding great ftore of Corn in the Island, loaded all the Ships then in the Port, whose number was very considerable, and dispatched them to Casar's Camp. At the same time Allienus the Proconsul, put on board the Transports at Lilybeum, the thirteenth and fourteenth Legions, with eight hundred Gollick Horse, and a thousand Archers and Slingers, and sent them over into Africa. This Fleet meeting with a favourable Wind, arrived in four Days at Rufpina, where Cæsar had his Camp. Thus he experienced a double Pleasure on this Occasion, receiving at one and the same time, both a supply of Provisions, and a reinforcement of Troops; which animated the Soldiers, and delivered them from the apprehensions of Want. Having landed the Legions and Cavalry, valry, he allowed them some time to recover from the Fatigue and Sickness of their Voyage, and then distributed them into the Forts, and along the Works.

XXXII. Scipio and the other Generals were greatly surprised at Cafar's Conduct, and could not conceive how one, who had always been forward and active in War, should all of a sudden change his Measures, which they therefore suspected must proceed from some very powerful Reasons. eafy and disturbed to see him so patient, they made choice of two Getulians, on whose Fidelity they thought they could rely; and promiting them great Rewards, fent them under the name of Deferters, to get Intelligence of Cafar's Designs. When they were brought before him, they begged they might have leave to speak without offence; which being granted: " It is now a long time, great Ge-" neral, faid they, fince many of us Getulians, 46 Clients of C. Marius, and almost all Roman Cist. tizens of the fourth and fixth Legions, have wished for an Opportunity to come over to you; 56 but have hitherto been prevented by the Guards of Numidian Horse. Now we gladly embrace the "Occasion, being fent by Scipio under the name of ** Deferters, to discover what Ditches and Traps you have prepared for his Elephants, how you " intend to oppose these Animals, and what Dif-" positions you are making for Battle." Casar commended them, rewarded them liberally, and feat them to the other Deferters. We had foon a Proof of the truth of what they had advanced: for next Day a great many Soldiers of these Legions. mentioned by the Getulians, deserted to Casar's Camp.

XXXIII. WHILST Affairs were in this posture at Ruspina, M. Cato, who commanded in Utica, was daily enlifting Freed men, Africans, Slaves, and all that were of age to bear Arms, and fending them without intermission to Scipio's Camp. while Deputies from the Town of Tisdra came to Cæsar, to inform him, that some Italian Merchants had brought three hundred thousand Bushels of Corn into that City; and to demand a Garrison. as well for their own Defence, as to fecure the Corn. Cafar thanked the Deputies, promised to fend the Garrison they desired; and having encouraged them, fent them back to their Fellow-citizens. Mean-time P. Sitius entered Numidia with his Troops, and made himself master of a Castle sizuated on a Mountain, where Juba had laid up a great quantity of Provisions, and other things necesfary for carrying on the War.

XXXIV. CESAR having increased his Forces with two veteran Legions, and all the Cavalry and light-armed Troops that had arrived in the fecond Embarkation, detached fix Transports to Lilybaum, to bring over the rest of the Army. On the twentyfeventh of January, ordering the Scouts and Lictors to attend him at fix in the Evening, he drew out all the Legions at midnight, and directed his March towards Ruspina, where he had a Garrison, and which had first declared in his favour, no one knowing or having the least fuspicion of his Design. Thence he continued his Rout by the left of the Camp along the Sea, and passed a little declivity, which opened into a fine Plain, extending fafteen miles, and bordered upon a chain of Mountains of moderate height, that formed a kind of Theatre. In this Ridge were some Hills that rose higher than the the rest, where Forts and Watch-towers had formerly been erected, and at the farthest of which Scipio's Out-guards were posted.

XXXV. CÆSAR having gained the Ridge, began to raise Redoubts upon the several Eminences, which he executed in less than half an Hour. When he was near the last, which bordered on the Enemy's Camp, and where, as we have faid, Scipio had his Out-guard of Numidians; he stopped a moment t and having taken a view of the Ground, and posted his Cavalry in the most commodious situations he ordered the Legions to throw up an Intrenchment along the middle of the Ridge, from the Place at which he was arrived, to that whence he fet out. This being observed by Scipio and Labienus, they drew all their Cavalry out of the Camp, formed them in order of Battle; and advancing about a thousand Paces, posted their Infantry by way of a second Line, somewhat less than half a Mile from their Camp.

XXXVI. CÆSAR unmoved by the appearance of the Enemy's Forces, encouraged his Men to go on with the Work. But when he perceived that they were within fifteen hundred Paces of the Intrenchment, and that their defign was to interrupt and disturb the Soldiers, and oblige him to draw them off from the Work: he ordered a Squadron of Spanish Cavalry, sustained by some light-armed Infantry, to attack the Numidian Guard upon the nearest Eminence, and drive them from that Post: They easily possessed themselves of the Place, the Numidians being partly killed, and partly made This being perceived by Labienus, that Prisoners. he might the more effectually fuccour the Fugitives, he wheeled off almost the whole right Wing of the M 3 Horfe.

Horse. Casar waited 'till he was at a considerable distance from his own Men, and then detached his left Wing to intercept his return.

XXXVII. In the Plain where this happened was a large Villa with four Turrets, which prevented Labienus from seeing that he was surrounded, He had therefore no apprehension of the approach ot Casar's Horse, 'till he found himself charged in the rear; which struck such a sudden terror into the Numidian Cavalry, that they immediately betook themselves to slight. The Gauls and Germans who stood their Ground, being surrounded on all sides, were entirely cut off. This being perceived by Scipio's Legions, who were drawn up in order of Battle before the Camp, they fled in the utmost Terror and Confusion. Scipio and his Forces being driven from the Plain and the Hills, Cafar founded a Retreat, and ordered all the Cavalry to retire behind the Works. When the Field was cleared, he could not forbear admiring the huge Bodies of the Gauls and Germans, who partly induced by the Authority of Labienus, had followed him out of Gaul; partly had been drawn over by Promises and Rewards. Some being made Prisoners in the Battle with Curio, and having their Lives granted them, continued faithful out of Gratitude. Their Bodies of furprising shape and largeness, lay scattered all over the Plain.

XXXVIII. NEXT Day Cafar drew all his Forces together, and formed them in order of Battle upon the Plain. Scipio discouraged by so unexpected a Check, and the numbers of his wounded and slain, kept within his Lines. Cafar with his Army in Battalia, marched along the roots of the Hills, and gradually approached his Trenches. The Legions were

were by this time got within a mile of Uzita, a Town possessed by Scipio, whence he had his Water, and other Conveniences for his Army. Resolving therefore to preserve it at all hazards, he brought forth his whole Army, and drew them up in four Lines, forming the first of Cavalry, supported by Elephants with Castles on their Backs. Casar believing that Scipio approached with design to give Battle, continued where he was posted not far from the Town, Scipio mean-while having the Town in the center of his front, extended his two Wings where were his Elephants, in full view of our Army.

XXXIX. WHEN Cefar had waited 'till Sun-set, without sinding that Scipio stirred from his Post; who seemed rather disposed to desend himself by his advantageous Situation, than hazard a Battle in the open Field; he did not think proper to advance farther that Day, because the Enemy had a strong Garrison of Numidians in the Town, which besides covered the center of their front; and he foresaw great Difficulty in forming at the same time an Attack upon the Town, and opposing their right and less with the advantage of the Ground: especially as the Soldiers had continued under Arms, and fasted since Morning. Having therefore led back his Troops to their Camp, he resolved next Day to extend his Lines nearer the Town.

XL. MEAN-TIME Confidents, who belieged eight mercenary Cohorts of Numidians and Getulians in Acilla, where C. Melfius commanded; after continuing long before the Place, and feeing all his Works burnt and destroyed by the Enemy: upon the Report of the late Battle of the Cavalry; fet fire to his Corn, destroyed his Wine, Oil, and other M 4

Stores; and abandoning the Siege of Acilla, divided his Forces with Scipio, and retired thro' the Kingdom of Juba to Adrumetum.

XLI. MEAN-WHILE one of the Transports belonging to the fecond Embarkation, in which were Q. Cominius and L. Ticida a Roman Knight, being feparated from the rest of the Fleet in a Storm, and driven to Thapsus, was taken by Virgilius, and all the Persons on board sent to Scipio. A three-benched Galley likewise, belonging to the same Fleet, being forced by the Wands to Ægimurum, was intercepted by the Squadron under Varus and M. Osta-In this Vessel were some veteran Soldiers, with a Centurion, and a few new Levies; whom Varus treated respectfully, and sent under a Guard to Scipio. When they came into his presence, and appeared before his Tribunal: "I am fatisfied, faid he, it is not by our own Inclination, but at "the Instigation of your wicked General, that you impiously wage War on your Fellow-citizens, " and on the honestest part of the Republick. "therefore, now that Fortune has put you in our 66 power, you will take this Opportunity to unite with the good Citizens, in the defence of the " Common-weal; I not only promife you your " Life, but you may expect to be rewarded. Lot " me. know what you think of the Proposal." Scipio having ended his Speech, and expecting a thankful return to fo gracious an Offer, permitted them to reply; when the Centurion, who on this Occasion was Spokesman, thus addressed him: 55 Scipio, fays he, (for I cannot give you the Apse pellation of General) I return you my hearty "Thanks for the good Treatment you are willing ff to show to Prisoners of War; and perhaps I " might accept of your Kindness, were it not to " be " be purchased at the expence of an horrible 66 Crime. What! shall I carry Arms and fight " against Casar my General, under whom I have " ferved as Centurion; and against his victorious "Army, to whose Renown I have so many Years " endeavoured to contribute by my Valour? 'Tis what I will never do; and even advise you not to " push the War any farther. You know not what Troops you have to deal with, nor the difference "twixt them and yours; of which, if you pleafe, I will give you an indisputable Instance. Do you pick out the best Cohort you have in your Army; and give me only ten of my Comrades, which are now your Prisoners, to engage them. se shall see, by the Success, what you are to ex-" pect from your Soldiers." When the Centurion had made this Reply, Scipio incensed at his Boldness, and resenting the Affront, made a Sign to some of his Officers to kill him on the Spot, which was immediately put in execution. fame time ordering the other veteran Soldiers to be separated from the new Levies: " Carry away, faid he, these Villains, pampered with the Blood of their Fellow-citizens." Accordingly they were conducted without the Rampart, and cruelly maffacred. The new-raifed Soldiers were distributed among his Legions; and Cominius and Ticida forbid to appear in his presence. Casar concerned for this Misfortune, broke with Ignominy the Officers, whose Instructions being to secure the Coast, and advance to a certain distance into the main Sea, to protect and facilitate the approach of the Transports, had been negligent on that important Station.

XLII. About this time a most incredible Accident besel-Cesar's Army. For the Pleiades being set; fet; about nine at Night a tetrible Storm arose, ettended with Hail of an uncommon fize. But what contributed to render this Misfortune the greater was, that Calar had not, like other Generals. puthis Troops into Winter-quarters 4 but was everythree or four Days changing his Camp, to gain. ground on the Enemy: which keeping the Soldiers continually employed, they were utterly unprovided of any Conveniences to protect them from the Inclemency of the Weather, Besides, neither Officer nor Soldier had been permitted to take their Equipages or Utenfils with them, nor so much as a Vessel, or a single Slave, when they parted from Sicily: and so far had they been from acquiring or providing themselves with any thing in Africa, that by reason of the great scarcity of Provisions, they had even confumed their former Stores, verified by these Accidents, very few of them had Tents: the rest had made themselves a kind of Covering, either by foreading their Cloaths, or with Mats and Rushes. But these being soon penetrated by the Storm and Hail, the Soldiers had no Resource left, but wandered up and down the Camp, covering their Heads with their Bucklers, to shelter them from the Weather. In a short time the whole Camp was under Water, the Fires extinguished, and all their Provisions washed away or spoil'd. The same Night, the Shafts of the Javelins belonging to the fifth Legion of their own accord took fire.

XLIII. In the mean-time King Juba, having received Advice of the Horse-engagement with Scipio, and being earnestly solicited by Letters from that General to come to his Assistance; lest Sabura at home with part of the Army to carry on the War against Sitius: and imagining his Name and Reference

Sence sufficient to free Scipio's Troops from the dread they had of Cefer, began his March with three Legions, eight hundred Horse, a Body of Numidian Cavalry, great numbers of light-armed Infantry, and thirty Elephants. When he arrived, he lodged himself with all his Forces in a separate Camp, at no great distance from that of Scipio. Army had for some time past been possessed with no small Terror of Juba's Forces; and the report of his Approach had increased the Inquietude, and produced a general Suspence and Expectation among the Troops. But his Arrival, and the appearance of his Camp, foon dispelled all these Apprehensions; and they as much despised the King of Mauritania, now he was present, as they had feared him, when at a distance. It was easy to be seen, however, that the Reinforcement brought by the King, greatly raised the Courage and Confidence of Scipio. For next Day, drawing out all his own and the Royal Forces, with fixty Elephants; he ranged them in order of Battle with great Ostentation, advanced a little beyond his Intrenchments, and after a short stay retreated to his Camp.

XLIV. CESAR knowing that Scipio had received all the Supplies he expected, and judging he would no longer decline coming to an Engagement; began to advance along the Ridge with his Forces, extend his Lines, secure them with Redoubts, and possess himself of the Eminences between him and Scipio. The Enemy confiding in their Numbers seized a neighbouring Hill, and thereby prevented the progress of our Works. Labienus had formed the design of securing this Post, and as it lay nearest his Quarters, soon got thither. Cesar had the same Project in view: but before he could reach the Place, was necessitated to pass a broad and deep Valley.

Valley, of rugged Descent, broken with Caves? and beyond which was a thick Grove of Olives: Labienus perceiving that Cafar must march this way, and having a perfect Knowledge of the Country, placed himself in Ambush with the light-armed Foot, and part of the Cavalry: !: At the same time be disposed some Horse behind the Hills, that when he should fall unexpectedly upon Cafar's Foot, they might fuddenly advance from behind the Mountain. Thus the Enemy attacked in Front and Rear, furrounded with danger on all fides, and unable either to retreat or advance, would, he imagined, fall an easy Prey to his victorious Troops. Cefar who had no suspicion of the Ambuscade, sent his Cavalry before: and arriving at the Place; Labienus's Men, either forgetting or neglecting the Orders of their General, of fearing to be trampled to death in the Ditch by our Cavalry, began to iffue in small Parties from the Rock, and ascend the Hill. Casar's Horse pursuing them, slew some, and took others Prisoners: then making towards the Hill, drove thence Labienis's Detachment, and immediately took possession. Labienus, followed by a small . Party of Horse, escaped with great difficulty.

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XLV. THE Cavalry having thus cleared the Mountain, Cafar resolved to intrench himself there, and distributed the Work to the Legions. He then ordered two Legions of Communication to be drawn from the greater Camp, cross the Plain on the side of Uzita, which stood between him and the Enemy, and was garrison'd by a Detachment of Scipio's Army. These Lines were so contrived, as to meet at the right and left Angles of the Town. His Design in this Work was, that when he approached the Town with his Troops, and began to attack it, these Lines might secure his Flanks, and

and hinder the Enemy's Horse from surrounding him, and compelling him to abandon the Siege: It likewise gave his Men more frequent Opportunities of conversing with the Enemy, and facilitated the means of Defertion to fuch as favoured his Cause: many of whom had already come over, though not without great danger to themselves. He wanted alfo, by drawing nearer the Enemy, to fee how they flood inclined to a Battle. Add to all these Reasons. that the Place itself being very low; he might there fink fome Wells, whereas before, he had a long and troublesome Way to fend for Water. While the Legions were employed in these Works, partiof the Army stood ready drawn up before the Trenches, and had frequent Skirmishes with the Numidian Horse and light-aimed Foot. The link and the

XLVI. In the Evening, when Gefar was drawi+ ing off his Legions from the Works of Juba, Scipio, and Labienus, at the head of all their Horse and light-armed Foot, fell furiously upon his Cavalny I who overwhelmed by the fudden and general Attack of so great a Multitude, were forced to give ground a little. But the Event was very different from what the Enemy expected i for Cafar leading back his Legions to the affiftance of his Cavalry; they immediately rallied, turned upon the Namidia ans, and charging them vigorously whilst they were dispersed and disordered with the Pursuit, drove them with great Slaughter to the King's Camp. And had not Night intervened, and the Dust raised by the Wind obstructed the Prospect; Juba and Labienus would both have fallen into Cafar's hands; and their whole Cavalry and light-armed Infantry been cut off. Mean-while Scipio's Men, of the fourth and fixth Legions, left him in crowds, fome deferting to Cafar's Camp, others flying to fuch Places Places as were most convenient for them. Cario's Horse likewise, distrusting Scipio and his Troops, followed the same Counsel.

XLVII. WHILE these things passed near Uzita, the ninth and tenth Legions sailing in Transports from Sicily; when they came before Ruspina, observing Casar's Ships that lay at Anchor about Thapsus, and searing it might be the Enemy's Fleet stationed there to intercept them, they imprudently stood out to Sea; and after being long tossed by the Winds, Provisions and Water sailing them, at last arrived at Casar's Camp.

XLVIII. Soon after they were landed, Cefar calling to mind their licentious Behaviour in Italy. and the Rapines of some of their Officers, seized the pretence furnished by C. Avienus, a military Tribune of the tenth Legion, who, when he fet out from Sicily, filled a Ship entirely with his own Equipage and Attendants, without taking on board one fingle Soldier. Wherefore furmoning all the military Tribunes and Centurious to appear before his Tribunal next Day, he addressed them in these Terms: "I could have wished that those, whose 44 Infolence and former licentious Character have of given me cause of Complaint, had been capable 66 of amendment, and of making a good use of 46 my Mildness, Patience, and Moderation. But " fince they know not how to confine themselves " within bounds, I intend to make an Example of 66 them, according to the Law of Arms, in order "that others may be taught a better Conduct. You 66 C. Avienus, when you was in Italy, instigated the Soldiers of the Roman People to revolt from the "Republick; you have been guilty of Rapines se and Plunders in the municipal Towns; and you •• have

w have never been of any real fervice, either to the " Commonwealth, or to your General: laftly, in " lieu of Soldiers, you have crowded the Trans-" ports with your Slaves and Equipage; To that, thro' your Fault, the Republick fails in Soldiers, " who at this time are not only useful, but necesfary. For all these Causes, I break you with Ignominy, and order you to leave Africa this very Day. In like manner I break you, A. Fonteius, because you have behaved yourself as a seditious " Officer, and as a bad Chizen. You, T. Salienus, " M. Tiro, G. Clusions, have attained the Rank of " Centurions, thro' my Indulgence, and not thro' wour own Merit; and fince you have been in-46 vested with that Rank, have neither shewn Brave-🛰 ry in War, nor good Conduct in Peace. In-46 stead of endeavouring to act according to the " Rules of Modesty and Decency, your whole fludy has been to ftir up the Soldiers against your "General. I therefore think you unworthy of constinuing Conturious in my Army: I break you, " and order you to quit Africa as foon as possible." Having concluded this Speech, he delivered them over to some Centurions, with Orders to confine them separately on board a Ship, allowing each of them a fingle Slave to wait on them.

WLIX. Mean-time the Getalian Deserters, whom Cesar had sent home with Letters and Instructions, as we have related above, arrived among their Countrymen: who partly swayed by their Authority, partly by the Name and Reputation of Cesar, sevolted from Juba; and speedily and unanimously taking up Arms, scrupled not to act in opposition to their King. Juba having thus three Wars to sustain, was compelled to detach six Cohorts from the Army destined to act against Cesar, and send them

them to defend the Frontiers of his Kingdom against the Getulians.

L. CESAR having finished his Lines of Communication, and pushed them so near the Town, as to be just without reach of Dart, intrenched himself there. He caused warlike Engines in great numbers to be placed in the Front of his Works, wherewith he played perpetually against the Town; and to increase the Enemy's Apprehensions, drew five Legions out of his other Camp. This Opportunity gave several Persons of Rank in both Armies, a Defire to see and converse with their Friends, which Cesar foresaw would turn to his advantage. For the chief Officers of the Getulian Horse, with other illustrious Men of that Nation, whose Fathers had ferved under C. Marius, and from his Bounty obtained confiderable Estates in their Country, but after Sylla's Victory had been made Tributaries to King Hiempfal; taking the Opportunity of the Night, when the Fires were lighted, with their Horses and Servants, to the number of about a thousand, came over to Cæsar's Camp near Uzita.

LI. As this Accident could not but disturb Scipio and his Followers; they perceived, much about
the same time, M. Aquinius in discourse with C. Sascipio sent him word, that he did not do
well to correspond with the Enemy. Aquinius paid
no attention to this Reprimand, but pursued his
Discourse. Soon after, one of Juba's Guards came
to him and told him, in the hearing of Saserna,
The King forbids you to continue this Conversation.
He no sooner received this Order, than immediately he retired, for fear of offending the King. One
cannot wonder enough at this step in a Roman Citizen, who had already attained to considerable
Honours

Honours in the Commonwealth; that the neither banished his Country, nor stripped of his Possessions, he should pay a more ready Obedience to the Orders of a foreign Prince, than those of Scipio : and choose rather to behold the Destruction of his Party, than return into the bosom of his Country. Nor was Juba's Arrogance confined to M. Aquinius, a new Man, and an inconfiderable Senator; but reached even Scipio himself, a Man of illustrious Birth, distinguished Honours, and high Dignity in the State. For as Scipio, before the King's Arrival, always wore a purple Coat of Mail; Juba is reported to have told him, that he ought not to wear the same Habit as he did. Accordingly Scipio changed his purple Robe for a white one, submitting to the Caprice of a haughty barbarian Monarch.

LII. NEXT Day they drew out all their Forces from both Camps; and forming them on an Eminence not far from Cafar's Camp, continued thus in order of Battle. Cafar likewise drew out his Men, and disposed them in Battle-array before his Lines; not doubting but the Enemy, who exceeded him in number of Troops, and had been so confiderably reinforced by the arrival of King Juba, would advance to attack him. Wherefore having rode through the Ranks, encouraged his Men, and given them the Signal of Battle, he stay'd expecting the Enemy's Charge. For he did not think it adviseable to remove far from his Lines; because the Enemy having a strong Garrison in Uzita, which was opposite to his right Wing, he could not advance beyond that Place, without expofing his Flank to a Sally from the Town. fides, the access to Scipio's Army was rough and difficult, and would have disordered his Troops before they gave the Onset. LIIL

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LIII. And here it may not be improper to defcribe the Order of Battle of both Armies: Scipio's Troops were drawn up in this Manner: He posted his own Legions, and those of Juba, in the Front: behind them the Numidians, as a Body of Reserve; but in so very thin Ranks, and so far extended in length, that to fee them at a distance, you would have taken the main Battle for a simple Line of Legionaries, which was doubled only upon the Wings. The Elephants were placed at equal distances on the right and left, and fustained by the light-armed Troops, and auxiliary Numidians. All the bridled Cavalry were on the right; for the left was covered by the Town of Uzita, nor had the Cavalry room to extend themselves on that side. Accordingly he stationed the Numidian Horse, with an incredible multitude of light-armed Foot, about a thousand Paces from his right, towards the foot of a Mountain, considerably removed from his own and the Enemy's Troops. His defign in this was, that during the progress of the Battle, the Cavalry having room to extend themselves might wheel round upon Casar's left, and disorder it with their Darts. Such was Scipio's Disposition. Casar's Order of Battle, to describe it from left to right, was as follows: The ninth and seventh Legions formed the left Wing; the thirteenth, fourteenth, twentyeighth, and twenty-fixth, the main Body; and the thirtieth and twenty-ninth, the right. His fecond Line on the right, confifted partly of the Cohorts of those Legions we have already mentioned, partly of new Levies. His third Line was posted to the left, extending as far as the middle Legion of the main Body, and so disposed, that the left Wing formed a triple order of Battle. The reason of this Disposition was; because his right Wing being defended 2

fended by the Works, it behoved him to make his left the stronger, that they might be a match for the numerous Cavalry of the Enemy; for which reason he had placed all his Horse there, intermixed with light-armed Foot; and as he could not rely much upon them, had detached the fifth Legion to sustain them. The Archers were dispersed up and down the Field, but principally in the two Wings.

LIV. THE two Armies thus facing one another in order of Battle, with a space of no more than three hundred Paces between, continued so posted from Morning 'till Night without fighting, of which perhaps there never was an Instance before. when Cafar began to retreat within his Lines, suddenly all the Numidian and Getulian Horse without Bridles, who were posted behind the Enemy's Army, made a Motion to the right, and began to approach Cesar's Camp on the Mountain; while the regular Cavalry under Labienus, continued in their Post, to keep our Legions in check. Upon this part of Cæfar's Cavalry, with the light-armed Foot, advancing hastily, and without Orders, against the Getulians, and venturing to pass the Morass, found themselves unable to deal with the superior multitude of the Enemy; and being abandoned by the light-armed Troops, were forced to retreat in great Disorder, after the loss of one Trooper, twentyfix light-armed Foot, and many of their Horses wounded. Scipio overjoyed at this Success, returned towards Night to his Camp. But as Fortune's Favours are feldom permanent to those engaged in the Trade of War; the Day after, a Party of Horse sent by Casar to Leptis in quest of Provisions, falling in unexpectedly with some Numidian and Getulian Stragglers, killed or made Prisoners about a hundred of them. Cæsar, mean-while, omitted not every

every Day to draw out his Men, and labour at the Works; carrying a Ditch and Rampart quite cross the Plain, to prevent the Incursions of the Enemy. Nor was *Scipio* less active in forwarding his Works, and securing his Communication with the Mountain. Thus both Generals were busied about their Intrenchments, yet seldom a Day passed, without some Skirmish between the Cavalry.

LV. In the mean time Varus, upon notice that the feventh and eighth Legions had failed from Sicily, speedily equipped the Fleet he had brought to winter at Utica; and manning it with Getulian Rowers and Mariners, went out a cruifing; and came before Adrumetum with fifty-five Ships. Cafar, who knew nothing of his arrival, fent L. Cispius, with a Squadron of twenty-seven Sail, to cruise about Thapsus, for the security of his Convoys; and likewise dispatched Q. Aquila to Adrumetum, with thirteen Gallies, upon the same Errand. pius foon reached the Station appointed him: but Aquila being attacked by a Storm, could not double the Cape, which obliged him to put into a Creek at fome distance, that afforded convenient shelter. The rest of the Fleet anchored before Leptis, where the Mariners went on Shore, some to refresh themfelves, others to buy Provisions in the Towns, and . left their Ships quite defenceless. Varus having notice of this from the Deferters, and refolving to take advantage of the Enemy's Negligence, left Adrumetum about nine at Night, and arriving early next Morning with his whole Fleet before Leptis, burnt all the Transports that were out at Sea, and took without opposition two five-benched Gallies, in which were none to defend them.

LVI. CESAR had an Account brought him of this unlucky Accident, as he was inspecting the Works of his Camp. Whereupon he immediately took Horse, went full speed to Leptis, which was but two Leagues distant, and going on board a Brigantine, ordered all the Ships in the Port to follow him, and in this manner put to Sea. He foon came up with Aquila, whom he found difmayed and terrified at the number of Ships he had to oppose; and continuing his Course, began to pursue the Enemy's Fleet. Mean-time Varus, astonished at Cæfar's Boldness and Dispatch, tacked about with his whole Fleet, and made the best of his way for Adrumetum. But Casar after four miles sail came up with him, recovered one of his Gallies, with the Crew, and an hundred and thirty Men left to guard her: and took a three-benched Galley belonging to the Enemy, with all the Soldiers and Mariners on The rest of the Fleet doubled the Cape, and made the Port of Adrumetum. Cæsar could not double the Cape with the fame Wind, but keeping the Sea all Night, appeared early next Morning before Adrumetum. He fet fire to all the Transports without the Haven, took what Gallies he found there, or forced them into the Harbour,; and having waited some time to offer the Enemy Battle, returned again to his Camp. On board the Ship he had taken was P. Vestrius a Roman Knight, and P. Ligarius Afranianus, the same who had prosecuted the War against him in Spain, and who, instead of acknowledging the Conqueror's Generofity, granting him his Liberty, had joined Pompey in Greece; and after the Battle of Pharsalia, had gone into Africa to Varus, there to continue in the fervice of the same Cause. Casar, to punish his Persidy and breach of Oath, gave immediate Orders for his N_3 ExeExecution. But he pardoned P. Vestrius, because his Brother had paid his Ransom at Rome, and he made it appear, that being taken in Nasidius's Fleet, and condemn'd to die, Varus had saved his Life, since which no Opportunity had offered of making his escape.

LVII. 'Tis usual for the People of Africa, to deposit their Corn privately in Vaults under Ground, to secure it in time of War, and guard it from the fudden Incursions of an Enemy. Cafar having Intelligence of this from a Spy, drew out two Legions with a Party of Cavalry at midnight, and fent them about ten miles off, whence they returned loaden with Corn to the Camp. Labienus being informed of it, marched about seven miles through the Mountains Cafar had passed the Day before, and there encamped with two Legions; where expecting that Casar would often come the same way in quest of Corn, he daily lay in Ambush with a great Body of Horse and light-armed Foot. Cæsar having notice of this from the Deserters, suffered fome Days to pass, 'till the Enemy by repeating the Practice often had abated a little of their Cir-Then iffuing unexpectedly one cumspection. Morning by the Decuman Port, with eight veteran Legions, and a Party of Horse, he ordered the Cavalry to march before; who coming fuddenly upon the Enemy's light-armed Foot that lay in Ambush among the Valleys, slew about five hundred, and put the rest to Flight. Mean-time Labienus advanced with all his Cavalry to support the Runaways, and was on the point of overpowering our fmall Party with his Numbers, when fuddenly Cafar appeared with the Legions in order of Battle. This fight check'd the Ardor of Labienus, who thought proper to found a Retreat. The Day after, Tuba

Juba ordered all the Numidians who had deserted their Post and sled to the Camp, to be crucified.

LVIII. MEAN-WHILE Cafar being straitened for want of Corn, recalled all his Forces to the Camp: and having left Garrisons at Leptis, Ruspina, and Acilla; ordered Cispius and Aquila to cruise with their Fleets, the one before Adrumetum, the other before Thapfus; and fet fire to his Camp at Uzita: he fet out in order of Battle at three in the Morning, disposed his Baggage in the left, and came to Agar, a Town that had been often vigorously attacked by the Getulians, and as valiantly defended by the Inhabitants. There encamping in the Plain before the Town, he went with part of his Army round the Country in quest of Provisions; and having found store of Barley, Oil, Wine, and Figs, with a small quantity of Wheat; after allowing the Troops some time to refresh themselves, he returned to his Camp. Scipio, mean-while, hearing of Cesar's departure, followed him along the Hills with all his Forces, and posted himself about six miles off in three different Camps.

LIX. The Town of Zeta lying on Scipio's fide of the Country, was not above ten miles from his Camp: but might be about eighteen from that of Cæsar. Scipio had sent two Legions thither to forage: which Cæsar having intelligence of from a Deserter, removed his Camp from the Plain to a Hill, for the greater Security; and leaving some Troops to guard it, marched at three in the Morning with the rest of his Forces, passed the Enemy's Camp, and possessed himself of the Town. Scipio's Legions were gone farther into the Country to forage; against whom setting out immediately, he found the whole Army come up to their Assistance,

which obliged hlm to give over the Pursuit. He took on this Occasion C. Mutius Regimus, a Roman Knight, Scipio's intimate Friend, and Governor of the Town; also P. Atrius, a Roman Knight likewise, of the Province of Utica; with twenty-two Camels belonging to King Juba. Then leaving a Garrison in the Place, under the command of Oppius his Lieutenant, he set out upon his return to his own Camp.

LX. As he drew near Scipio's Camp, by which he was necessitated to pass; Labienus and Afranius, who lay in Ambuscade among the nearest Hills, with all their Cavalry and light-armed Infantry, started up and attacked his Rear. Cæsar detaching his Cavalry to receive their Charge, ordered the Legions to throw all their Baggage into a heap, and face about upon the Enemy. No fooner was this Order executed, than upon the first Charge of the Legions, the Enemy's Horse and light-armed Foot began to give way, and were with incredible eafe driven from the higher Ground. But when Cafar, imagining them sufficiently deterred from any further Attempts, began to pursue his March, they again iffued from the Hills; and the Numidians, with the light-armed Infantry, who are wonderfully nimble, and accustom themselves to fight intermixed with the Horse, with whom they keep an equal pace either in advancing or retiring, fell a fecond time upon our Foot. As they repeated this often, pressing upon our Rear when we marched, and retiring when we endeavovred to engage, always keeping at a certain distance, and with singular care avoiding a close Fight, as holding it enough to wound us with their Darts; Cæsar plainly saw that their whole aim was, to oblige him to encamp in that Place, where no Water was to be had; that

his Soldiers, who had tasted nothing from three in the Morning 'till four in the Afternoon, might perish with Hunger, and the Cattle with Thirst. Sun-set now approached; when Casar, finding he had not gained an hundred Paces compleat in four Hours, and that by keeping his Cavalry in the Rear, he lost many Horse, ordered the Legions to fall behind, and close the March. Proceeding thus with a flow and gentle Pace, he found the Legions fitter to fustain the Enemy's Charge. Meantime the Numidian Horse, wheeling round the Hills to the right and left, threatened to inclose Cæsar's Forces with their numbers, while part continued to harrass his Rear: and if but three or four veteran Soldiers faced about, and darted their Javelins at the Enemy, no less than two thousand of them would take to Flight; but fuddenly rallying, returned to the Fight, and charged the Legionaries with their Darts. Thus Cafar, one while marching forward, one while halting, and going on but flowly, reached his Camp fafe about seven that Evening, having only ten Men wounded. Labienus too retreated to his Camp, after having thoroughly fatigued his Troops with the Pursuit; in which, besides a great number wounded, his loss amounted to about three hundred Men. And Scipio withdrew his Legions and Elephants, whom for the greater Terror, he had ranged before his Camp within view of Cæsar's Army.

LXI. CÆSAR having such an Enemy to deal with, was necessitated to instruct his Soldiers, not like a General of a veteran Army, which had been victorious in so many Battles; but like a Fencing-master training up his Gladiators: with what Foot they must advance or retire; when they were to oppose and make good their Ground, when to counterseit

terfeit an Attack; at what Place, and in what manner to lanch their Javelins. For the Enemy's light-armed Troops gave wonderful Trouble and Disquiet to our Army; because they not only deterred the Cavalry from the Encounter, by killing their Horses with their Javelins, but likewise wearied out the legionary Soldiers by their swiftness: for as often as these heavy-armed Troops advanced to attack them, they evaded the Danger by a quick Retreat. This gave Cæfar no small Trouble: because as often as he engaged with his Cavalry, without being sustained by the Infantry, he found himfelf by no means a match for the Enemy's Horse, supported by their light-armed Foot: and as he had no experience of the strength of their Legions, he forefaw still greater Difficulties when these should be united, as the shock must then be wonderful. The number too and fize of the Elephants, greatly increased the Terror of the Soldiers; for which however he found a Remedy, in causing some of those Animals to be brought over from Italy, that his Men might be accustomed to the sight of them, know their Strength and Courage, and in what part of the Body they were most easily to be wound-For as the Elephants are covered with Trappings and Ornaments, it was necessary to inform them what parts of the Body remained naked, that they might direct their Darts thither. It was likewife needful to familiarize his Horfes to the cry. fmell, and figure of these Animals; in all which he succeeded to a Wonder: for the Soldiers quickly came to touch them with their Hands, and to be fensible of their Tardiness; and the Cavalry attacked them with blunted Darts, and by degrees brought their Horses to endure their presence. For these Reasons already mentioned, Casar was not without his Anxieties, and proceeded with more Slowness

and Circumspection than usual, abating considerably of his wonted Expedition and Celerity. Nor ought we to wonder: for in Ganl his Troops had been accustomed to fight in a champian Country, against an open undefigning Enemy, who despited Artifice, and valued themselves only on their Brave-But now he was to habituate his Soldiers to the Arts and Contrivances of a crafty Enemy, and teach them what to purfue, and what to avoid. The fooner therefore to instruct them in these Matters, he took care not to confine his Legions to one Place, but under pretence of foraging, engaged them in frequent Marches, and Counter-marches; knowing well that the Enemy would take care not to lose fight of him. Three Days after, he drew up his Forces with great Art, and marching past Scipio's Camp, waited for him in an open Plain; but feeing that he still declined a Battle, he retreated to his Camp in the Evening.

LXII. MEAN-TIME Ambassadors arrived from the Town of Vacca, bordering upon Zeta, of which we have observed Cæsar had possessed himself. They requested and intreated that he would send them a Garrison, promising to surnish many of the Necessaries of War. At the same time, by an uncommon piece of good Fortune for Cæsar, a Deserter informed him, that Juba had by a quick March reached the Town, massacred the Inhabitants, and abandoned the Place itself to the plunder of his Soldiers. Thus was Cæsar's Garrison prevented from setting out, and by that means saved from Destruction.

LXIII. CESAR having reviewed his Army the eighteenth of February, advanced next Day with all his Forces five Miles beyond his Camp, and remained

mained a confiderable time in order of Battle two miles from Scipio's. When he had waited fufficiently long to invite the Enemy to an Engagement, finding them still decline it, he led back his Troops. Next Day he decamped, and directed his March towards Sarfura, where Scipio had a Garrison of Numidians, and a Magazine of Corn. Labienus being informed of this Motion, fell upon his Rear with the Cavalry and light-armed Troops: and having made himself master of part of the Baggage, was encouraged to attack the Legions themselves, believing they would fall an easy Prey, under the Load and Incumbrance of a March. But Cæsar, from a forefight of what might happen, had ordered three. hundred Men out of each Legion, to hold themfelves in readiness for Action. These being sent against Labienus, he was so terrified at their approach, that he shamefully took to Flight, great numbers of his Men being killed or wounded. The Legionaries returned to their Standards, and purfued their March. Labienus still followed us at a distance along the fummit of the Mountains, and kept hovering on our right.

LXIV. CÆSAR arriving before Sarfura, took it in presence of the Enemy, who durst not advance to its Relief; and put to the Sword the Garrison which had been lest there by Scipio under the command of P. Cornelius, who after a vigorous Desence was surrounded and slain. Having given all the Corn in the Place to the Army, he marched next Day to Tisar, where Considius was with a strong Garrison, and his Cohort of Gladiators. Cæsar having taken a view of the Town, and being deterred from besieging it for want of Corn, set out immediately, and after a March of sour miles, encamped near a River. Here he stayed about four Days,

Days, and then returned to his former Camp at Agar. Scipio did the fame, and retreated to his old Quarters.

LXV. MEAN-TIME the Thabenenses, a Nation situated in the extreme Consines of Juba's Kingdom, along the Sea-coast, and who had been accustomed to live in subjection to that Monarch; having massacred the Garrison left there by the King, sent Deputies to Casar to inform him of what they had done, and to beg he would take under his Protection a City which deserved so well of the Roman People. Casar approving their Conduct, sent M. Crispus the Tribune, with a Cohort, a party of Archers, and a great Number of warlike Engines, to charge himself with the desence of Tbabena.

LXVI. At the same time the legionary Soldiers, who either on account of Sickness, or for other Reasons, had not been able to come over into Africa with the rest, to the number of sour thousand Foot, sour hundred Horse, and a thousand Archers and Slingers, now arrived all together. With these, and his former Troops, he advanced into a Plain eight miles distant from his own Camp, and four from that of Scipio, where he waited the Enemy in order of Battle.

LXVII. The Town of Tegea was below Scipio's Camp, where he had a Garrison of sour hundred Horse. These he drew up on the right and left of the Town; and bringing forth his Legions, formed them in order of Battle upon a Hill somewhat lower than his Camp, and which was about a thousand Paces distant from it. After he had continued a considerable time in this Posture, without offering to make any Attempt; Casar sent some Squadrons

of Horse, supported by his light-armed Infantry. Archers, and Slingers, to charge the Enemy's Cavalry, who were posted before the Town. Men advancing upon the Spur, Pacidius began to extend his Front, that he might at once furround and give us a warm Reception. Upon this Cefar detached three hundred Legionaries to our Affiftance, while at the same time Labienus was continually sending fresh Reinforcements, to replace those that were wounded or fatigued. Our Cavalry, who were only four hundred in number, not being able to fustain the Charge of four thousand, and being besides greatly incommoded by the light-armed Numidians, began at last to give ground: which Casar observing, detached the other Wing to their Assistance; who joining those that were like to be overpowered, they fell in a Body upon the Enemy, put them to Flight, flew or wounded great Numbers, purfued them three Miles quite to the Mountains, and then returned to their own Men. Cafar continued in order of Battle till four in the Afternoon, and then retreated to his Camp without the loss of a Man. In this Action Pacidius received a dangerous Wound in the Head, and had many of his best Officers either killed or wounded.

LXVIII. WHEN he found that the Enemy were by no means to be prevailed with to fight him upon equal terms, and that he could not encamp nearer them for want of Water, in confideration of which alone, and not from any confidence in their Numbers, the Africans had dared to despise him; he decamped the fourteenth of April at midnight, marched fixteen Miles beyond Agar to Thapfus, where Vergilius commanded with a strong Garrison, and there fixed his Camp. The very first Day he began the Circumvallation, and raised Redoubts in proper

proper Places, as well for his own fecurity, as to prevent any Succours from entering the Town. This Step reduced Scipio to the necessity of fighting, to avoid the disgrace of abandoning Vergilius and the Thapsitani, who had all along remained firm to his Party: and therefore following Casar without delay, he posted himself in two Camps, eight Miles from Thapsus.

LXIX. BETWEEN a Morais and the Sea was a narrow Pass of about fifteen hundred Paces, by which Scipio hoped to throw Succours into the Place. But Cefar from a forelight of what might happen, had the Day before raised a very strong Fort at the entrance of it, where he left a triple Garrison; and encamping with the rest of his Troops in form of a half Moon, carried his Works round the Town. Scipio, disappointed of his Design, passed the Day and Night following a little above the Morais; but early next Morning advanced within a small distance of our Fort, where he began to intrench himself about fifteen hundred Paces from the Sea. Cafar being informed of this, drew off his Men from the Works; and leaving Afprenas the Proconful with two Legions to guard the Camp and Baggage, marched all the rest of his Forces with the utmost expedition to the Place where the Enemy were post-He left part of the Fleet before Thapfus, and ordered the rest to make as near the Shore as possible towards the Enemy's Rear, observing the Signal he should give them, upon which they were to raise a sudden shout, that the Enemy alarmed and disturbed by the Noise behind them, might be forced to face about.

LXX. WHEN Cæsar came to the Place, he found Scipio's Army in order of Battle before the Intrenchments, the Elephants posted in the two Wings, and part of the Soldiers employed in fortifying the Camp. Upon fight of this disposition, he drew up his Army in three Lines, placed the fecond and tenth Legions in the right Wing, the eighth and ninth in the left, five Legions in the Center, covered his Flanks with five Cohorts posted over-against the Elephants, disposed the Archers and Slingers in the two Wings, and intermingled the light-armed Troops with his Cavalry. himself on foot went from Rank to Rank, to rouse the Courage of the Veterans, putting them in mind. of their former Bravery, and animating them by his foothing Address. He exhorted the new Levies to emulate the Bravery of the Veterans, and endeayour by a Victory to attain the same degree of Glory and Renown.

LXXI. As he ran from Rank to Rank, he obferved the Enemy very uneasy, hurrying from Place to Place, one while retiring behind the Rampart, another coming out again in great Tumult and Con-As the same was observed by many others in the Army, his Lieutenants and Volunteers begged him to give the Sign of Battle, as the immortal Gods promised him a certain Victory. While he hesitated with himself, and strove to repress their Eagerness and Desires, as being unwilling to yield to the Importunity of Men, whose Duty it was to wait his Orders; on a fudden a Trumpet in the right Wing, without his leave, and compelled by the Soldiers, founded a Charge. Upon this all the Cohorts ran to Battle, in spite of the Endeavours of the Centurions, who strove to restrain them by Force.

Force, but to no purpose. Casar perceiving that the Ardor of his Soldiers would admit of no Reftraint, giving Good-fortune for the Word, spurred on his Horse, and charged the Enemy's Front. On the right Wing the Archers and Slingers poured their Javelins without Intermission upon the Elephants, and by the Noise of their Slings and Stones, fo terrified these unruly Animals, that turning upon their own Men, they trod them down in heaps, and rushed through the Gates of the Camp, that were but half finished. At the same time the Mauritanian Horse, who were in the same Wing with the Elephants, feeing themselves deprived of their affiftance, betook themselves to Flight. Whereupon the Legions wheeling round the Elephants, foon mastered the Enemy's Intrenchments. Some few that made refistance were slain: the rest fled with all expedition to the Camp they had quitted the Day before.

LXXII. And here we must not omit taking notice of the Bravery of a veteran Soldier of the fifth Legion. For when an Elephant which had been wounded in the left Wing, and roused to Fury by the Pain, run against an unarmed Sutler, threw him under his Feet, and leaning on him with his whole weight, brandishing his Trunk, and raising hideous Cries, crushed him to death; the Soldier could not refrain from attacking the Animal. The Elephant feeing him advance with his Javelin in his Hand, quitted the dead Body of the Sutler, and feizing him with his Trunk, wheeled him round in the Air. But the Soldier amidst all the danger, losing nothing of his Courage, ceased not with his Sword to strike at the Elephant's Trunk, who at last overcome with the Pain, quitted his Prey, and fled to the rest with hideous Cries.

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LXXIII. MEAN-WHILE the Garrison of Thapfus, either designing to assist their Friends, or abandon the Town, sallied by the Gate next the Sea, and wading navel-deep in the Water, endeavoured to reach the Land. But the Servants and Followers of the Camp, attacking them with Darts and Stones, obliged them to return again to the Town. Scipio's Camp mean-while being forced, and his Men flying on all sides, the Legions instantly began the pursuit, that they might have no time to rally. When they arrived at their former Camp, by means of which they hoped to defend themselves, they began to think of choosing a Commander, to whose Authority and Orders they might submit: but finding none on whom they could rely, they threwdown their Arms, and fled to Juba's Quarter. ing likewise possessed by our Men, they retired to a Hill; where despairing of safety, they endeavoured to foften their Enemies, faluting them by the name of Brethren. But this stood them in little stead: for the Veterans transported with Rage and Anger, were not only deaf to the Cries of their Enemies. but even killed or wounded feveral Citizens of Distinction in their own Army, whom they upbraided as Authors of the War. Of this number was Tullius Rufus the Quæstor, whom a Soldier knowingly ran through with a Javelin; and Pompeius Rufus, who was wounded with a Sword in the Arm, and would doubtless have been flain, had he not speedily fled to Cæsar for protection. This made several Roman Knights and Senators retire from the Battle. lest the Soldiers, who after so signal a Victory asfumed an unbounded Licence, should be induced by the hopes of Impunity to wreck their Fury on them likewife. In short all Scipio's Soldiers, though they implored the protection of Cæfar, were yet in the the very fight of that General, and amidst his Intreaties to his Men to spare them, universally, and without exception, put to the Sword.

LXXIV. CÆSAR having made himself master of the Enemy's three Camps, killed ten thousand of them, and put the rest to Flight, retreated to his own Quarters with the loss of no more than fifty Men, and a few wounded. In his way he appeared before Thapfus, and ranged all the Elephants he had taken in the Battle, amounting to fixty-four, with their Ornaments, Trappings, and Castles, in full view of the Place. He was in hopes by this evidence of his Succefs, to induce Vergilius to a furrender. He even called and invited him to fubmit, reminding him of his Clemency and Mildness; but no Answer being given, he retired from before the Town. Next Day, after returning thanks to the Gods, he affembled his Army before Thapfus, praised his Soldiers in prefence of the Inhabitants, rewarded the victorious, and from his Tribunal extended his Bounty to every one, according to their Merit and Services. ting out thence immediately, he left the Proconful C. Rebellius with three Legions to continue the Siege, and fent Cn. Domitius with two, to invest Tisdra, where Considius commanded. Then ordering M. Messala to go before with the Cavalry, he began his March to Utica.

LXXV. Scipio's Cavalry, who had escaped out of the Battle, taking the Road of Utica, arrived at Parada: but being resused admittance by the Inhabitants, who heard of Cesar's Victory, they forced the Gates, lighted a great Fire in the middle of the Forum, and threw all the Inhabitants into it, without distinction of Age or Sex, with their Effects: avenging in this mauner by an unheard of Cruelty,

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the Affront they had received. Thence they marched directly to Utica. M. Cato, fome time before, distrusting the Inhabitants of that City, because of the Privileges granted them by the Julian Law, had difarmed and expelled the Populace, obliging them to dwell without the warlike Gate, in a small Camp environed with a flight Intrenchment, round which he had planted Guards, while at the fame time he held the Senators under Confinement. The Cavalry attacked their Camp, as knowing them to be Wellwishers to Cæsar, and to avenge, by their Destruction, the shame of their own Defeat. But the People animated by Cæfar's Victory, repulsed them with Stones and Clubs. They therefore threw themfelves into the Town, killed many of the Inhabitants, and pillaged their Houses. Cato unable to prevail with them to abstain from Rapine and Slaughter, and undertake the defence of the Town. as he was not ignorant what they aimed at, gave each a hundred Sesterces to make them quiet. Sylla Faustus did the same out of his own Money: and marching with them from Utica, advanced into the Kingdom of Juba.

LXXVI. A great many others that had escaped out of the Battle, fled to Utica. These Cato assembled, with three hundred more who had furnished Scipio with Money for carrying on the War, and exhorted them to set their Slaves free, and in conjunction with them defend the Town. But finding that the part assembled, the rest were terrified and determined to sly, he gave over the Attempt, and surnished them with Ships to facilitate their escape. He himself having settled all his Affairs with the utmost Care, and commended his Children to L. Casar his Quæstor; without the least Indication which might give cause of Suspicion, or any change

in his Countenance and Behaviour, privately carried a Sword into his Chamber when he went to fleep, and stabed himself with it. But the Wound not proving mortal, and the noise of his Fall creating a Sufpicion; a Physician with some Friends broke into his Chamber, and endeavoured to bind up the Wound: which he no fooner was fensible of, than tearing it open again with his own Hands, he expired with undaunted resolution and presence of mind. The Uticans, tho' they hated his Party, yet in confideration of his fingular Integrity, his Behaviour fo different from that of the other Chiefs, and the wonderful Fortifications he had directed to defend their Town, interred him honourably. L. Cæsar, that he might procure some Advantages by his death, affembled the People, and after haranguing them, exhorted them to open their Gates, and throw themselves upon Cæsar's Clemency, from which they had the greatest reason to hope the best. This Advice being followed, he came forth to meet Cæsar. Messala having reached Utica according to his Orders, placed Guards at all the Gates.

LXXVII. MEAN-WHILE Cæsar leaving Thapsus, came to Usceta, where Scipio had laid up great store of Corn, Arms, Darts, and other warlike Provisions, under a small Guard. He soon made himself master of the Place, and marched directly to Adrumetum, which he entered without opposition. He took an account of the Arms, Provisions, and Money in the Town; pardoned Q. Ligarius and C. Considius; and leaving Livineius Regulus there with one Legion, set out the same Day for Utica. L. Cæsar meeting him by the way, threw himself at his Feet, and only begged for his Life. Cæsar, according to his wonted Clemency, easily pardoned him; as he did likewise Cæcina, C. Ateius, P. Atrius,

L. Colla Father and Son, M. Eppius, M. Aquinius, Cato's Son, and the Children of Damifippus. He arrived at Utica in the Evening by torch-light, and continued all that Night without the Town.

LXXVIII. Next Morning early he entered the Place, fummoned an Affembly of the People, and thanked them for the Affection they had shewn to his Cause. At the same time he censured severely, and enlarged upon the Crime of the Roman Citizens and Merchants, and the rest of the three hundred, who had furnished Scipio and Varus with Money; but concluded with telling them that they might show themselves without fear, as he was determined to grant them their Lives, and content himself with exposing their Effects to sale; yet so, that he would give them notice when their Goods were to be fold, and the Liberty of redeeming them upon payment of a certain Fine. The Merchants half dead with Fear, and conscious that they merited Death, hearing upon what Terms Life was offered them, greedily accepted the Condition, and intreated Cafar that he would impose a certain Sum in gross upon all Accordingly he amerced them the three hundred. in two hundred thousand Sesterces, to be paid to the Republick at fix equal Payments, within the fpace of three Years. They all accepted the Condition, and confidering that Day as a fecond Nativity, joyfully returned thanks to Cæsar.

LXXIX. MEAN-WHILE King Juba, who had escaped from the Battle with Petreius, hiding himfelf all Day in the Villages, and travelling only by Night, arrived at last in Numidia. When he came to Zama, his ordinary place of residence, where were his Wives and Children, with all his Treasures, and whatever he held most valuable, and which he had

had strongly fortified at the begining of the War; the Inhabitants having heard of Casar's Victory, refused him entrance, because upon declaring War against the Romans, he had raised a mighty Pile of Wood in the middle of the Forum, defigning, if unsuccessful, to massacre all the Citizens, sling their Bodies and Effects upon the Pile, then fetting fire to the Mass, and throwing himself upon it, destroy all without exception, Wives, Children, Citizens, and Treasures, in one general Conflagration. After continuing a confiderable time before the Gates. finding that neither Threats nor Intreaties would avail, he at last desired them to deliver him his Wives and Children, that he might carry them along with him. But receiving no Answer, and feeing them determined to grant him nothing, he quitted the Place, and retired to one of his Country-seats with Petreius and a few Horse.

LXXX. MEAN-TIME the Zamians fent Ambaffadors to Casar at Utica, to inform him what they had done, and to request his Assistance against Juba, who was drawing his Forces together to attack They affured him of their Submission, and Resolution to defend the Town for him. commended the Ambassadors, and sent them back to acquaint their Fellow-citizens, that he was coming himself to their Relief. Accordingly setting out the next Day from Utica with his Cavalry, he directed his March towards Numidia. Many of the King's Generals met him on the way, and fued for Pardon: to all whom having given a favourable Hearing, they attended him to Zama. port of his Clemency and Mildness spreading into all Parts, the whole Numidian Cavalry flocked to 0 4 him

him at Zama, and were there delivered of their Fears.

LXXXI. During these Transactions, Considius who commanded at Tifdra, with his own Retinue, a Garrison of Getulians, and a Company of Gladiators; hearing of the defeat of his Party, and terrified at the arrival of Domitius and the Legions, abandoned the Town; and privately withdrawing with a few of the Barbarians, and all his Money, took his way towards Numidia. The Getulians, to render themselves masters of his Treasure, murdered him by the way, and fled every Man where he could. Mean-time C. Vergilius, seeing himself shut up by Sea and Land, without power of making a Defence; his Followers all flain or put to Flight; M. Cato dead by his own hands at Utica; Juba despised and deserted by his own Subjects; Sabura and his Forces defeated by Sitius; Cæfar received without Opposition at Utica; and that of so vast an Army, nothing remained capable of screening him or his Children; thought it his most prudent Course, to furrender himself and the City to the Proconsul Caninius, by whom he was belieged.

LXXXII. At the fame time King Juba, feeing himself excluded from all the Cities of his Kingdom, and that there remained no hopes of Sasety; having supped with Petreius, proposed an Engagement Sword in hand, that they might die honourably. Juba, as being the stronger, easily got the better of his Adversary, and laid him dead at his Feet: but endeavouring afterwards to run himself through the Body, and wanting Strength to accomplish it, he was obliged to have recourse to one of his Slaves, and by his Intreaties prevailed upon him to perform that mournful Office.

LXXXIII. In the mean time P. Sitius, having defeated the Army of Sabura, Juba's Lieutenant, and flain the General, and marching with a few Troops thro' Mauritania to join Casar, chanced to fall in with Faustus and Afranius, who were at the head of the Party that had plundered Utica, amounting in all to about fifteen hundred Men, and designing to make the best of their way to Spain. Having expeditiously placed himself in ambuscade during the Night, and attacking them by Day-break, he either killed or made them all Prisoners, except a few that escaped from the Van. Afranius and Fauftus were taken among the rest, with their Wives and Children: but some few Days after, a Mutiny arising among the Soldiers, Faustus and Afranius were flain. Casar pardoned Pompeia, the Wife of Fauflus, with her Children, and permitted her the free enjoyment of all her Effects.

LXXXIV. MEAN-WHILE Scipio, with Damasip-pus and Torquatus, and Plætorius Rustianus, having embarked on board some Gallies, with a design to make for the Coast of Spain; and being long and severely tossed by contrary Winds, were at last obliged to put into the Port of Hippo, where the Fleet commanded by P. Sitius chanced at that time to be. Scipio's Vessels, which were but small, and sew in number, were easily surrounded and sunk by the larger and more numerous Ships of Sitius; on which Occasion Scipio, and all those whom we have mentioned above, as having embarked with him, perished.

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LXXXV. MEAN-WHILE Cefar having exposed the King's Effects to publick fale at Zama, and confiscated the Estates of those, who though Roman Citizens, had born Arms against the Republick: after conferring Rewards upon fuch of the Zamians as had been concerned in the design of excluding the King, he abolished all the royal Tributes, converted the Kingdom into a Province; and appointing Crifpus Sallustius to take charge of it with the Title of Proconful, returned again to Utica. There he fold the Estates of the Officers that had served under Juba and Petreius, fined the People of Thapfus twenty thousand Sesterces, and the Company of Roman Merchants there thirty thousand; fined likewife the Inhabitants of Adrumetum in thirty thousand, and their Company in fifty thousand, but preserved the Cities and their Territories from Infult and Plunder. Those of Leptis, whom Juba had pillaged some time before, and who upon Complaint made to the Senate by their Deputies, had obtained Arbitrators and Restitution, were enjoined to pay yearly three hundred thousand Pounds of Oil; because from the beginning of the War, in consequence of a diffension among their Chiefs, they had made an Alliance with the King of Numidia, and supplied him with Arms, Soldiers, and Money. The People of Tisdra, because of their extreme Poverty, were only condemned to pay annually a certain quantity of Corn,

LXXXVI. THESE Things settled, he embarked at *Utica* on the thirteenth of June, and three Days after arrived at *Carales* in Sardinia. Here he condemned the Sulcitani in a Fine of one hundred thousand

thousand Sesterces, for receiving and aiding Na-fidius's Fleet; and instead of a tenth, which was their former Assessment, ordered them now to pay an eighth to the publick Treasury. He likewise consistented the Estates of some who had been more active than the rest, and weighing from Carales on the twenty-ninth of June, coasted along the Shore, and after a Voyage of twenty-eight Days, during which he was several times obliged to put into Port by contrary Winds, arrived safe at Rome.

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SPANISH WAR.

HARNACES being vanquished, and Africa reduced, those who escaped fled into Spain to young Cn. Pompey; who having got possession of the farther Province, whilst Cefar was employed in distributing Rewards in Italy, endeavoured to strengthen himfelf by engaging the feveral States to join him: and partly by intreaty, partly by force, foon drew together a confiderable Army, with which he began to lay waste the Country. In this situation of Things, some States voluntarily sent him Supplies, others shut the Gates of their Towns against him: of which, if any chanced to fall into his hands by Affault; how well soever a Citizen might have deferved of his Father, yet if he was known to be rich, some ground of Complaint was never wanting, under pretence of which to destroy him, that his Estate might fall a Prey to the Soldiers. Thus the Enemy, encouraged by the Spoils of the vanquished, increased daily in Number and Strength: infomuch that the States in Casar's Interest were continually sending Messengers into Italy, to press his immediate March to their Relief.

II. CÆSAR now a third time Dictator, and nominated also a fourth time to the same Dignity, hastening with all diligence into Spain, to put an end to the War, was met upon the Way by the Ambassadors of Cordova, who had deserted from the Camp of Cn. Pompey. They informed him that it would be an easy matter to make himself master of the Town by Night, because the Enemy as yet knew nothing of his arrival in the Province, the Scouts fent out by Cn. Pompey to inform him of Cafar's approach, having been all made Prisoners. They alledged besides many more other very probable Reasons; all which so far wrought upon him, that he fent immediate advice of his arrival to 2. Pedius, and Q. Fabius Maximus his Lieutenants, to whom he had left the command of the Troops in the Province; ordering them to fend him all the Cavalry they had been able to raise. He came up with them much fooner than they expected, and was joined by the Cavalry according to his defire.

III. Sextus Pompey, the Brother of Cneus, commanded at this time at Cordova, which was accounted the Capital of the Province. Young Cneus Pompey himself was employed in the Siege of Ulia, which had now lasted some Months. The Besieged having notice of Casar's arrival, sent Deputies to him, who passed unobserved thro' Pompey's Camp, and requested with great earnestness, that he would come

come speedily to their Relief. Cæsar, who was no stranger to the Merit of that People, and their constant Attachment to the Romans, detached about nine at Night eleven Cohorts, with a like numberof Horse, under the command of L. Julius Paciecus, a good Officer, well known in the Province, and who was besides perfectly acquainted with the Country. When he arrived at Pompey's Quarters, a dreadful Tempest arising, attended with a violent Wind; so great a darkness ensued, that it was difficult to diffinguish even the Person next you. This Accident proved of great advantage to Paciecus: for being arrived at Pompey's Camp, he ordered the Cavalry to advance two by two, and march directly thro' the Enemy's Quarters to the Town. Some of their Guards calling to know who passed; one of our Troopers bid them be silent, for they were just then endeavouring by stealth to approach the Wall, in order to get possession of the Town; and partly by this Answer, partly by favour of the Tempest, which hindered the Centinels from examining things diligently, they were fuffered to pass without disturbance. When they reached the Gates, upon a Signal given they were admited; and both Horse and Foot raising a mighty Shout, after leaving fome Troops to guard the Town, fallied in a Body upon the Enemy's Camp; who having no apprehenfion of fuch an Attack, were almost all like to have been made Prisoners.

IV. ULIA being relieved, Cafar, to draw Pompey from the Siege, marched towards Cordova; fending the Cavalry before, with a felect Body of heavy-armed Foot; who as foon as they came within fight of the Place, got up behind the Troopers, without being perceived by those of Cordova. Upon their approach to the Walls, the Enemy fallied in Vol. II.

Infantry leaping down, fell upon them with fuch fury, that out of an almost infinite multitude of Men, very sew returned to the Town. This so alarmed Sextus Pompey, that he immediately sent Letters to his Brother, requesting him to come speedily to his Relief, lest Casar should make himself master of Cordova before his arrival. Thus Cn. Pompey, moved by his Brother's Letters, quitted the Siege of Ulia, which was upon the point of surrendering, and began his March towards Cordova.

V. CESAR arriving at the River Betis, which he found too deep to be forded, funk several Baskets of Stones in it; and raising a Bridge upon them, supported by double Beams, carried over his Forces in three Bodies. Pompey arriving foon after with his Troops, encamped directly over-against him. Cefar, to cut off his Provisions and Communication. with the Town, ran a Line from his Camp to the Bridge. Pompey did the same; informuch that a. Struggle arose between the two Generals, which should first get possession of the Bridge; and this. daily brought on small Skirmishes, in which sometimes the one, sometimes the other Party had the. At last the Dispute becoming more general, they came to a close Fight, tho' upon very disadvantageous Ground: for both sides striving earnestly to obtain the Bridge, they found themfelves as they approached straitened for want of room, and extending themselves towards the River fide, many fell headlong from the Banks. the loss was pretty equal; for on either side lay heaps of flain: and Cafar, for many Days, used all possible endeavours to bring the Enemy to an Engagement on equal terms, that he might bring the War to a conclusion as soon as possible. VI.

VI. But finding that they carefully avoided a Battle, with a view to which chiefly he had quitted the rout of Ulia; he caused great Fires to be lighted in the Night, repassed the River with all his Forces, and marched towards Ategua, one of their strongest Garrisons. Pompey having notice of this from the Deserters, retreated the same Day to Cordova, by a very narrow and difficult Road, with a great number of Carriages and Machines of War. Gesar began his Attack upon Ategua, and carried Lines quite round the Town; of which Pompey having intelligence, fet out upon his March the fame But Cæsar had taken care beforehand to secure all the advantageous Posts, and possess himself of the Forts; partly to shelter his Cavalry, partly to post Guards of Infantry for the defence of his Camp. The Morning of Pompey's arrival was for foggy, that he found means, with fome Cohorts and Troops of Cavalry, to hem in a Party of Cefar's Horse, and fell upon them in such manner, that very few escaped slaughter.

VII. THE following Night Pompey fet fire to his Camp, passed the River Salfus, and marching thro the Valleys, encamped on a rifing Ground, between the two Towns of Ategua and Ucubis. Cafar meanwhile continued his Approaches, cast up a Mount, and brought forward his Machines. The Country all around is mountainous, and feems formed for War. The River Salfus runs thro' the Plains, and divides them from the Mountains, which all lie upon the fide of Ategua, at about two miles distance from the River. Pompey's Camp was upon these Mountains, within view of both the Towns, but nearer to Ategua; to which he could however fend no relief, tho' his Army consisted of thirteen Le-P 2

gions.

gions. Of these he chiefly relied on sour: two Spanish ones, which had deserted from Trebonius; one formed out of the Roman Colonies in those parts; and a sourth which he had brought with him from Africa. The rest were for the most part made up of Fugitives and Deserters. As to light-armed Foot and Cavalry, we far exceeded him both in the number and goodness of the Troops.

VIII. But what proved principally serviceable to Pompey's design of drawing out the War into length. was the nature of the Country, full of Mountains, and extremely well adapted to Encampments. almost the whole Province of farther Spain, tho' of an extremely fertile Soil, and abounding in Springs, is nevertheless very difficult of access. Here too, on account of the frequent Incursions of the Natives. all the Places remote from great Towns, are fortified with Towers and Castles, covered, as in Africa, not with Tiles, but with Earth. On these they place Centinels, whose high situation commands an extensive view of the Country on all sides. the greatest part of the Towns of this Province are built on Mountains, and Places exceedingly strong by Nature, the approaches to which are extremely difficult. Thus Sieges are rare and hazardous in Spain, it not being easy to reduce their Towns by force; as happened in the present War. For Pompey having established his Camp between Ategua and Ucubis, as related above, and within view of both Towns, Cafar found means to possess himself of an Eminence very conveniently situated, and only about four miles from his own Camp, on which he built a Fortress.

Ground was covered by the fame Eminence, and besides

besides at a sufficient distance from Casar's Quarters, foon became fensible of the importance of this Post: and as Casar was separated from it by the River Salfus, he imagined that the difficulty of fending relief would prevent his attempting any thing of that kind in its defence. Relying on this perfualion, he fet out about midnight, and attacked the Fort, which had been very troublesome to the Besieged. The Enemy, upon their approach, seting up a Shout, discharged their Javelins in great numbers, and wounded multitudes of our Men: but those in the Fort making a vigorous Refistance, and dispatching Messengers to the greater Camp to inform Casar of what had happened, he hastened to their relief with three Legions. approach struck the Enemy with terror: many were flain, and a greater number made Prisoners; nay multitudes in their flight threw away their Arms; infomuch that above fourfcore Shields were found which they had left behind them.

X. THE Day after Arguetius arrived from Italy with the Cavalry, and five Standards taken from the Saguntines; but was forced to quit his Post by Asprenas, who likewise brought a Reinforcement from Italy to Cæsar. The same Night Pompey set fire to his Camp, and drew towards Cordova. King named *Indus*, who was bringing fome Troops to Cæsar with a Party of Cavalry, following the purfuit of the Enemy too brifkly, was made Prisoner and flain by the Spanish Legionaries. Next Day our Cavalry purfued those who were employed in care rying Provisions from the Town to Pompey's Camp, almost to the very Walls of Cordova, and took fifty Prisoners, besides Horses. The same Day Q. Marcius, a military Tribune in Pompey's Army, deserted to us. At midnight the Befieged fell furioufly upon our Works, and by all the Methods they could devise, threw Fire and combustible Matter into the Trenches. When the Attack was ended, C. Fundanius a Roman Knight quitted the Enemy, and came over to us.

XI. NEXT Day two Spanish Legionaries, who pretended they were Slaves, were made Prisoners by a Party of our Horse: but being brought to the Camp, they were known by the Soldiers who had formerly served under Fabius and Pedius, and deserted from Trebonius, who would grant no Quarter, but massacred them immediately. At the same time some Couriers sent from Cordova to Pompey, entering our Camp by mistake, were seized, had their Hands cut off, and then were dismissed. About nine at Night the Besieged, according to custom, spent a considerable time in casting Fire and Darts upon our Soldiers, and wounded a great number of Men. At Day-break they fallied upon the fixth Legion, who were busy at the Works, and began a sharp Contest, in which however our Men got the better, tho' the Besieged had the advantage of the higher Ground: and fifty of their Horse, who had begun the Attack, being vigoroully opposed on our side, notwithstanding all the Inconveniencies we fought under, were at length obliged to retire into the Town with many Wounds.

XII. Next Day Pompey began a Line from the Camp to the River Salfus; and a small Party of our Horse, being attacked by a much greater Body of the Enemy, were driven from their Post, with the loss of three of their number. The same Day A. Valgius, the Son of a Senator, whose Brother was in Pompey's Camp, mounted his Horse and went

over to the Enemy, leaving all his Baggage behind A Spy belonging to Pompey's second Legion was taken and flain. At the fame time a Bullet was shot into the Town with this Inscription: That Notice should be given by the Signal of a Buckler, when Cæsar advanced to storm the Town. encouraging some to hope that they might scale the Walls and possess themselves of the Town without danger, they fell the next Day to fapping them, and threw down a confiderable Part of the outward Wall. They then endeavoured to mount the Breach. but were made Prisoners, and afterwards employed by the Garrison to make an Offer of surrendering the Town to Cafar, upon condition he would fuffer them to march out with their Baggage. fwer was, That it had been always his Custom to give, not accept of Conditions; which being reported to the Garrison, they set up a Shout, and began to pour their Darts upon our Men from the whole Circuit of the Wall; which gave reason to believe that the Garrison intended that Day to make vigorous Sally. Wherefore furrounding the Town with our Troops, the Conflict was for some time maintained with great Violence, and one of our Batteries threw down a Tower belonging to the Enemy, in which were five of their Men, and a Boy, whose Office it was to observe the Battery.

XIII. AFTER this Pompey erected a Fort on the other fide of the Salfus, in which he met with no interruption from our Men, and gloried not a little in the imagination of having possessed himself of a Post so near us. Also the following Day, extending himself in like manner still farther, he came up with our out-guard of Cavalry; and charging them briskly, obliged several Squadrons, and the light-armed Foot to give ground; many of whom, by reason of the smallness of their Numbers, incapable

ble of any vigorous Opposition, were trod down by the Enemy's Horse. This passed within view of both Camps, and not a little animated the *Pom*peians, to see our Men pushed so far: but being asterwards reinforced by a Party from our Camp, they saced about with design to renew the Fight.

XIV. In all Battles of the Horse this is found to hold, that when the Troopers dismount with design to charge the Infantry, the Match evermore proves unequal, as happened on the present occasion. For a select Body of the Enemy's light-armed Foot, coming unexpectedly upon our Horse, they alighted to sustain the Charge. Thus in a very little time, from a Horse it became a Foot-skirmish, and again from a Foot changed to a Horse encounter, in which our Men were driven back to their very Lines: but being there reinforced, about a hundred and twenty-three of the Enemy were flain, several forced to throw down their Arms, many wounded, and the rest pursued quite to their Camp. On our. side a hundred and eleven Men were slain, besides twelve Foot-foldiers and five Troopers wounded.

XV. Towards the Evening of the same Day, the Fight, as usual, was renewed before the Walls; and the Enemy having thrown many Darts, and a great Quantity of Fire from the Battlements, proceeded afterwards to an Action of unexampled Cruelty and Barbarity: for in the very fight of our Troops they sell to murdering the Citizens, and tumbling them headlong from the Walls: an instance of Inhumanity, of which no Parallel is to be found in the History of the most savage Nations.

XVI. WHEN Night came on, *Pompey* fent a Messenger unknown to us, to exhort the Garrison

to make a vigorous Sally about midnight, and fet fire to our Towers and Mount. Accordingly having poured upon us a great Quantity of Darts and Fire, and destroyed a considerable part of the Rampart, they opened the Gate which lay over-against and within view of Pompey's Camp, and fallied out with all their Forces, carrying with them Fascines to fill up the Ditch; Hooks and Fire to destroy and reduce to Ashes the Barracks, which the Soldiers had built mostly of Reeds to defend them from the Winter; and fome Silver and rich Apparel to scatter among the Tents, that while our Men should be employed in securing the Plunder, they might fight their way through and escape to Pompey; who in expectation that they would be able to effect their Design, had crossed the Salfus with his Army, where he continued all Night in order of Battle, to favour their Retreat. though our Men had no Apprehension of this Defign, their Valour enabled them to frustrate the Attempt, and repulse the Enemy with many They even made themselves masters of Wounds. the Spoil, their Arms, and some Prisoners, who were put to death next Day. At the same time a Deserter from the Town informed us, that Junius, who was employed in the Mine when the Citizens were massacred, exclaimed against it as a cruel and barbarous Action, which ill fuited the kind Treatment they had received, and was a direct Violation of the Laws of Hospitality. He added many things besides, which made such an Impression upon the Garrison, that they desisted from the Massacre.

XVII. THE next Day Tullius, a Lieutenant-General, accompanied by C. Antonius of Lustania, came to Casar, and addressed him to this effect.

Would to Heaven I had rather been one of your

Soldiers,

" Soldiers, than a Follower of C. Pompey, and "given those Proofs of Valour and Constancy in obtaining Victories for you, rather than in suf-" fering for him. The only Advantage we reap " from following his Banners are doleful Applauses. being reduced to the condition of indigent Citi-44 zens, and by the melancholyFate of our Country " ranked among its Enemies; who having never " shared with Pampey in his good Fortune, find our-" selves yet involved in his Disgrace; and after " fustaining the Attack of so many armed Legions, employing ourselves Day and Night in Works of 66 Detence, exposed to the Darts and Swords of " our Fellow-citizens; vanquished, deserted by " Pompey, and compelled to give way to the supe-" rior Valour of your Troops, find ourselves at last 46 obliged to have recourse to your Clemency, and 46 implore that you will not show yourselves less 66 placable to Fellow-citizens, than you have so of-"ten been to foreign Nations." "I am ready, er returned Cafar, to show the same Favour to Ci-44 tizens, which vanquished Nations have always " received at my Hands."

XVIII. THE Ambassadors being dismissed, when they arrived at the Gate of the Town, Tiberius Tullius observing that C. Antony did not follow him, returned to the Gate and laidhold of him, upon which drawing a Poniard from his Breast, he wounded him in the Hand, and in this Condition they both shed to Cesar. At the same time the Standard-bearer of the sirst Legion came over to our Camp, and reported that the Day when the Skirmish happened between the Horse, no less than thirty-sive of his Company sell; but it was not allowed to mention it in Pompey's Camp, or so much as own the loss of one Man. A Slave, whose Master was

in Casar's Camp, and who had left his Wife and Son in the City, cut his Master's Throat, and deceiving the Guards, escaped privately to Pompey's Camp; whence by means of a Bullet, on which he inscribed his Intelligence, he gave us notice of the Preparations made for the defence of the Place. When we had read the Inscription, those who were employed to throw the Bullet returning to the City, two Luftanian Brothers deferted, and informed us, that Pompey in a Speech made to his Soldiers had faid; that as he found it impossible to relieve the Town, he was resolved to withdraw privately in the Night, and retire towards the Sea: to which one made answer, that it was better to hazard a Battle, than take refuge in flight; for which he was immediately killed. At the same time some of his Couriers were intercepted, who were endeavouring to get into the Town. Cafar fent the Letters to the Inhabitants, and one of the Messengers begging his Life, he granted it with promise of further Reward, if he would fet fire to the Enemy's wooden Turret. The Enterprise was not without difficulty; he undertook it however, but was slain · in the Attempt. The same Night a Deserter informed us that Pompey and Labienus were greatly offended at the Massacre of the Citizens.

XIX. About nine at Night, one of our wooden Towers, which had been severely battered by the Enemy's Engines, gave way as far as the third Story. At the same time a sharp Action happened near the Walls, and the Besieged, assisted by a favourable Wind, burnt the remaining part of that Tower and another. Next Morning a Matron threw herself from the Wall, and came over to our Camp, reporting, that the rest of her Family had intended the same, but were apprehended and put

to death; likewise a Letter was thrown over, in which was written; "L. Minutius to Cæsar: Pom" pey has abandoned me; if you will grant me my
" Life, I promise to serve you with the same Fide" lity and Attachment I have hitherto manifested
" towards him." At the same time the Deputies who had been sent before to Cæsar by the Garrison, now waited on him a second time, offering to deliver up the Town next Day, upon a bare grant of their Lives: to which he reply'd, That he was Cæsar, and would perform his Word. Thus having made himself master of the Place the nineteenth of February, he was saluted Emperor by the Army.

XX. Pompey being informed by some Deserters. that the Town had furrendered, removed his Camp towards Ucubis, where he began to build Redoubts, and secure himself with Lines. Casar also decamped and drew near him. At the same time a Spanish legionary Soldier deferting to our Camp, informed us; that Pompey had affembled the People of Ucubis, and given it them in charge to enquire diligently who favoured his Party, who that of the Enemy. Some time after, the Slave, who, as we have related above, had murdered his Master, was taken in a Mine and burnt alive. About the same time eight Spanish Centurions came over to Casar: and in a Skirmish between our Cavalry and that of the Enemy, we were repulsed, and some of our lightarmed Foot wounded. The fame Night we took four of the Enemy's Spies. One, as being a legionary Soldier, was beheaded, but the other three, who were Slaves, were crucified.

XXI. THE Day following some of the Enemy's Cavalry and light-armed Infantry deserted to us; and about eleven of their Horse, falling upon a Party

Party of our Men that were fent to fetch Water, killed some, and took others Prisoners; amongst which last were eight Troopers. Next Day Pompey beheaded seventy-four Persons as savourers of Cafar's Cause, ordering the rest who lay under the same Suspicion to be carried back to the Town, of whom an hundred and twenty escaped to Casar.

XXII. Some time after, the Deputies of Burlavola, whom Casar had taken Prisoners in Ategua, and fent along with his own Ambassadors to their City, to inform them of the Maffacre of the Ateguans, and what they had to apprehend from Pompey, who suffered his Soldiers to murder their Hosts, and commit all manner of Crimes with Impunity, arriving in the Town; none of our Deputies, except fuch as were Natives of the Place, durst enter the City, tho' they were all Roman Knights and Senators. But after many Messages backward and forward, when the Deputies were upon their Return, the Garrison pursued and put them all to the Sword, except two who escaped to Casar, and informed him of what had happened. Some time after, the Bursavolenses sending Spies to Ategua, to know the Truth of what had happened, and finding the Report of our Deputies confirmed, were for stoning to death him who had been the Cause of the Murder of the Deputies, and were with difficulty restrained from laying violent hands upon him, which in the end proved the occasion of their own Destruction. For having obtained leave of the Inhabitants to go in person to Cæsar and justify himfelf, he privately drew together fome Troops, and when he thought himself strong enough, returned in the Night, and was treacherously admitted into the Town; where he made a dreadful Massacre of the Inhabitants, flew all the Leaders of the opposite Party. Party, and reduced the Place under his Obedience. Soon after, some Slaves who had deserted informed us, that he had sold all the Goods of the Citizens, and that Pompey suffered none of his Soldiers to quit the Camp but unarmed, because since the taking of Ategua, many despairing of success shed into Betburia, having given over all Expectation of Victory; and that if any deserted from our Camp, they were put among the light-armed Infantry, whose Pay was only sixteen Asses a Day.

XXIII. THE Day following Cafar removed his Camp nearer to Pompey's, and began to draw a Line to the River Salsus. Here while our Men were employed in the Work, some of the Enemy fell upon us from the higher Ground, and as we were in no condition to make Resistance, wounded great Numbers, obliging us, contrary to custom, to retreat. This being perceived; two Centurions of the fifth Legion passed the River, and restored the Battle: when urging the Enemy with aftonishing Bravery, one of them fell, overwhelmed by the multitude of Darts discharged from above. The other continued the Combat for some time; but seeing himself in danger of being furrounded, as he was endeavouring to make good his Retreat, he stumbled and fell. His Death being known, the Enemy flocked together in still greater Numbers, upon which our Cavalry passed the River, and drove them quite back to their Intrenchments; but pursuing them with too much heat, were furrounded by their Cavalry and light-armed Foot; where but for the most aftonishing Efforts of Bravery, they must all unavoidably have been made Prisoners: for they were fo hemmed in by the Enemy's Lines, that they wanted room to defend themselves. Many were wounded on our fide in these two Encounters, and among

among the rest Clodius Aquitius; but as the Fight was carried on mostly at a distance, only the two Centurions, of whom mention has been already made, and whom the Desire of Glory rendered regardless of their own Sasety, were killed.

XXIV. NEXT Day both Parties withdrawing from Sericaria, we continued our Works. But Pompey observing that our Fort had cut off his Communication with Aspavia, which is about five Miles distant from Ucubis, judged it necessary to come to a Battle. Yet he did not offer it upon equal terms, but chose to draw up his Men upon a Hill, that he might have the advantage of the higher Ground. Mean-while both fides endeavouring to possess themselves of an Eminence that lay extremely convenient, we at last got the better of the Pompeians, and drove them from the Plain. The Slaughter was very great, and would have been still greater, had they not been protected by the Mountain rather than their Valour. Night came on very opportunely to favour their Escape; without which our Men, tho' few in Number, would have entirely cut off their Retreat. Pempey lost on this occasion three hundred and twenty-four light-armed Foot, and about a hundred and thirty-eight legionary Soldiers, besides those whose Armour and Spoils we carried off. Thus the Death of the two Centurions, which happened the Day before, was fully revenged.

XXV. The Day after, *Pompey*'s Horse advanced according to their usual custom to our Lines; for only the Cavalry durst venture to draw up on equal Ground. They therefore began to skirmish with our Men who were at work, the Legionaries calling out to us at the same time to choose our Field of Battle.

Battle, with delign to make us believe that they de: fired nothing fo much as to come to Blows. Upon this Invitation our Men quitted the Eminence where they were encamped, and advanced a great way into the Plain, defiring no advantage of Ground. But none of the Enemy had the boldness to present themselves, Antistius Turpio excepted; who prefuming on his Strength, and fancying no one on our fide a match for him, offered us Defiance. Upon this enfued a Combat not unlike that recorded of Memnon and Achilles. For Q. Pompeius Niger, a-Roman Knight born in Italy, quitting his Rank, ad-The fierce Air of Antivanced to the Encounter. fius having engaged the Attention of all, the two Armies drew up to be Spectators of the iffue of this Challenge, and expressed no less Impatience than if the whole fortune of the War had depended upon it; and the Wishes on both sides for Success, were equal to the Anxiety and Concern each felt for his own Combatant. They advanced into the Plain with great Courage, having each a resplendent-Buckler of curious Workmanship. And doubtless, the Combat would have been foon decided, had not fome light-armed Foot, drawn up near the Lines, to serve as a Guard to the Camp, because of the approach of the Enemy's Horse. *** Our Horse in retreating to their Camp, being warmly purfued by the Enemy, fuddenly faced about with great Cries; which so terrified the Pompeians, that they immediately betook themselves to slight, and retreated to their Camp with the loss of many of their Men.

XXVI. CÆSAR, to reward the Valour of the Cassian Troop, presented them with thirteen thousand Sesterces, distributed ten thousand more among the light-armed Foot, and gave Cassias himself two golden Chains. The same Day, A. Bebius, C. Flavius, and

and A. Trebellius, Roman Knights of Asti, with their ... Horses richly caparisoned and adorned with Silver, came over to Cæsar, and informed him; that all the rest of the Roman Knights in Pompey's Camp, had like them conspired to come and join him, but that a Discovery being made of their Design by a Slave. they had been all feized, themselves excepted, who during the Confusion found means to escape. fame Day Letters were intercepted, fent by Pompey to Urfao, importing. " That hitherto he had all "the Success against the Enemy he could desire, " and would have ended the War much sooner than " was expected, could he have brought them to " fight him upon equal terms: That he did not "think it adviseable to venture new-levied Troops on a Plain: That the Enemy defending themselves with their Lines, feemed inclinable to draw out "the War to length, investing City after City, and thence supplying themselves with Provisions: That he would therefore endeavour to protect the "Towns of his Party, and bring the War to as. " fpeedy an issue as possible: That he would fend "them a Reinforcement of some Cohorts, and made no doubt of forcing Cafar in a short time " to an Engagement, by cutting off his Provi-« fions."

XXVII. Some time after, as our Men were carelessy dispersed about the Works, a few Horse were killed, who had gone to a Forest of Olives to setch Wood. Several Slaves deserted at this time, and informed us, that ever since the Action at Soritia on the seventh of March, the Enemy had been under continual Alarms, and appointed Attius Varus to guard the Lines. The same Day Pompey decamped, and posted himself in an Olive-Wood over-against Hispalis. Casar, before he removed, Vol II.

waited till midnight, when the Moon began to appear. At his departure he ordered Fire to be set to the Fort of *Ucubis*; which the Enemy had abandoned, and that the whole Army should rendezvous in the greater Camp. He afterwards laid siege to *Ventisponte*, which surrendered; and marching thence to *Carruca*, encamped over-against *Pumpey*, who had burnt the City, because the Garrison resused to open the Gates to him. A Soldier who had murdered his Brother in the Camp, being intercepted by our Men, was scourged and put to death. *Cafür* still pursuing his March, arrived in the Plains of *Munda*, and pitched his Camp opposite to that of *Pompey*.

XXVIII. Next Day, as Casar was preparing to fet out with the Army, notice was fent him by his Spies, that Pompey had been in order of Battle ever fince midnight. Upon this Intelligence he ordered the Standard to be erected. Pompey had taken this Resolution in consequence of his Letter to the Inhabitants of Ursao, who were his firm Adherents, in which he told them that Cæsar refused to come down into the Plain, because his Army consisted mostly of new-levied Troops. This had greatly confirmed the City in its Allegiance, which therefore ferving as a fure Resource behind him, he thought he might hazard a Battle without danger; and the rather, as he was very advantageously encamped: for as we observed before, this Country is full of Hills, which run in a continued Chain, without any confiderable breaks or hollows.

XXIX. But we must by no means omit an Accident which sell out about this time. The two Camps were divided from one another by a Plain about sive Miles in extent, informuch that Pempey

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by his Situation enjoyed a double defence. On one fide, the Town, feated on an eminence. On the other, the nature of the Ground where the Camp flood: for across this Valley ran a Rivulet, which rendered the Approach of the Mountain extremely difficult, because it formed a deep Morass on the right. Cafar made no doubt but the Enemy would descend into the Plain and come to a Battle, and his whole Army were of the same mind; the rather because the Plain would give their Cavalry full room to act, and the Day-was fo ferene and clear, that the Gods feemed to have fent it on purpose to bring on an Engagement. Our Men rejoiced at the favourable Opportunity: fome however were not altogether exempt from fear, when they confidered that their all was at Stake, and the uncertainty of what might be their Fate an Hour after. He advanced however to the Field of Battle, fully perfuaded that the Enemy would do the same; but they durst not venture above a Mile from the Town, being determined to shelter themselves under its Walls. Our Men still continued before them in order of Battle; but although the equality of the Ground fometimes tempted them to come and difpute the Victory, they nevertheless still kept their Post on the Mountain, in the neighbourhood of the Town. We doubled our speed to reach the Rivulet, without their stirring from the Place where they flood.

XXX. THEIR Army consisted of thirteen Legions: the Cavalry was drawn up upon the Wings, with fix thousand light-armed Infantry, and about the same number of Auxiliaries. We had only eighty heavy-armed Cohorts, and eight thousand Horse. When we came to the extremity of the Plain, as the Ground was very disadvantageous,

it would have been dangerous for us to advance farther, because the Enemy were ready to charge us from the Eminences: and therefore, that we might not rashly entangle ourselves, Casar had taken care to mark beforehand how far we might advance with fafety. The Army when commanded to halt, murmured greatly, as if they had been kept back from a certain Victory. The delay however ferved to enliven the Enemy, who fancy'd that our Troops were afraid of coming to Blows. They therefore had the boldness to advance a little way, yet without quitting the advantage of their Post, the approach to which was extremely dangerous. tenth Legion, as usual, was on the right; the third and fifth on the left, with the auxiliary Troops and Cavalry. At length the Battle began with a Shout.

XXXI. But though our Men were superior to the Enemy in Courage, they nevertheless defended themselves so well by the advantage of the higher Ground, the Shouts were so loud, and the discharge of Darts on both fides fo great, that we almost began to despair of Victory. For the first Onset and Clamour, with which an Enemy is most apt to be difmayed, were pretty equal in the prefent Encoun-All fought with equal Valour, the Place was covered with Arrows and Darts, and great Numbers of the Enemy fell. We have already observed that the tenth Legion was on the right, which though not confiderable for the number of Men, was nevertheless formidable on account of its Courage; and so pressed the Enemy on that side, that they were obliged to draw a Legion from the right Wing to reinforce the left, and prevent its being taken in flank. Upon this motion, our Cavalry on the left fell upon Pompey's right Wing, weakened

by the departure of the Legion: but they defended themselves with so much Bravery and Resolution, as to stand in need of no new Troops to support Mean-while the Clashing of Armour, mingled with the Shouts of the Combatants, and the Groans of the dying and wounded, terrified the new-raifed Soldiers: for, as Ennius says, they fought Hand to Hand, Foot to Foot, and Shield to Shield. But though the Enemy fought with the utmost vigour, they were obliged to give ground, and retire towards the Town. The Battle was fought on the Feast of Bacchus, and the Pompeians were entirely routed and put to flight; infomuch that not a Man could have escaped, had they not sheltered themfelves in the Place whence they advanced to the Charge. The Enemy lost on this occasion upwards of thirty thousand Men, and among the rest Labienus and Attius Varus, whose funeral Obsequies were performed upon the Field of Battle. They had likewise three thousand Roman Knights killed, partly of Italy, partly of the Province. About a thousand were slain on our side, partly Foot, partly Horse; and five hundred wounded. We gained thirteen Eagles and Standards, and made seventeen Officers Prisoners. Such was the iffue of this Action.

XXXII. The remains of Pompey's Army retreating to Munda, with design to defend themselves municipal in that Town, it became necessary to invest it. The dead Bodies of the Enemy, heaped together, ferved instead of a Rampart, and their Javelins and Darts were fixed up by way of Palisades. Upon these we hung their Bucklers to supply the Place of a Breast-work, and fixing the Heads of the deceased upon Swords and Lances, planted them all around the Works, to strike the greater Terror into

the Besieged, and keep awake in them a sense of our Bravery. Amidst these mournful Objects did they find themselves shut in, when our Men began the Attack, which was managed chiefly by the Gauls. Young Valerius, who had escaped to Cordova with some Horse, informed Sextus Pompey of what had happened; who upon receipt of the mournful News, distributing what Money he had . about him to the Troopers, left the Town about nine at Night, under pretence of going to find out Cæsar, to treat of an Accommodation. On the other side, Cn. Pompey, attended by a few Horse and Foot, took the Road of Carteia, where his Fleet lay, and which was about an hundred and seventy Miles distant from Cordova. When he was arrived within eight Miles of the Place, he fent P. Calvitius his Camp-marshal before, to fetch a Litter to carry him to the Town, because he found himfelf out of order. The Litter came, and when he entered the Town, those of his Party waited on him privately, to receive his Orders about the management of the War. As they affembled round the Place in great Crowds, Pompey quitting his Litter, put himself under their protection.

XXXIII. CASAR, after the Battle, seeing the Circumvallation of Munda compleated, marched to Cordova. Those of the Enemy who had escaped the Slaughter possessing themselves of a Bridge, upon the approach of our Men, called out to them with an Air of Derision, What? we are no more than a handful of Men escaped from the Battle, and shall we be allowed no Place of Retreat? Immediately they prepared to defend the Bridge. Casar passed the River and encamped on the other side. Seapula, who had stirred up the Freedmen to a Revolt, escaping after the Battle to Cordova;

when he found himself besieged, assembled all his Followers, ordered a funeral Pile to be erected, and a magnificent Supper served up; when putting on his richest Dress, he distributed his Plate and ready Money among his Domesticks, supped chearfully, anointed himself once and again, and last of all, ordered one of his Freedmen to dispatch him, and another to set Fire to the Pile.

XXXIV. CÆSAR had no fooner encamped before the Place, than a division arose among the Inhabitants, between those who favoured Casar, and those who were in the Interest of Pompey, attended with fo rude a Clamour, that it reached our Camp. During the Contest, some Legions, composed partly of Fugitives, partly of Slaves manumitted by Pompey, came and furrendered themselves to Cæsar. But the thirteenth Legion prepared to defend the Place, and with that view possessed themselves of the Walls and some Towers, in spite of all the opposition they met with; which obliged the other Party to fend Deputies to Cæsar for aid. Upon this those who had escaped out of the Battle set fire to the Place, and our Men entering at the same time, flew about twenty-two thousand of them, besides those who were sain without the Walls; and thus became masters of the Town. Whilst Casar was employed in this Siege, those who were blocked up at Munda made a Sally, but were driven back into the Town with confiderable loss.

XXXV. THENCE Casar marched to Hispalis, which sent Deputies to sue for Pardon, and obtained it. Tho' the Citizens assured him that they were able to defend the Town with their own Forces, he nevertheless thought proper to send Caninius his Lieutenant thither with some Troops, and encamp-

ed himself before the Place. There was in the Town a strong Party of Pompeians, who displeased to see Casar's Troops received within the Walls, deputed secretly one Philo, a zealous Partizan of Pompey, and well known in Lustania, to beg assistance of Cecilius Niger, sirnamed the barbarous, who lay encamped near Lenius, with a strong Army of Lustanians. These approaching the Town towards Night, got over the Walls, surprised the Centinels and Garrison, shut the Gates, and began to defend the Place.

XXXVI. During these Transactions, Deputies arrived from Carteia, with accounts of their having fecured Pompey; hoping by this Service to atone for their former Fault of shutting the Gates against Casar. Mean-time the Lustanians in Hispalis, still continued pillaging the Town, which the known to Cafar, did not yet determine him to press it too hard, lest they should in despair set fire to the Town, and destroy the Walls. It was resolved in Council to suffer the Lusitanians to escape in the Night by a Sally, yet fo that the thing might not appear designed. In this Sally, they set fire to the thips that were in the River Bætis, and while our Men were employed in extinguishing the Flames, endeavoured to get off; but being overtaken by the Cavalry, were mostly cut to pieces. Thence he marched to Asta, which submitted. Munda having been now a long while belieged, many of those who had escaped out of the Battle, despairing of fafety, furrendered to us; and being formed into a Legion, conspired among themselves, that upon a Signal given, the Garrison should fally out in the Night, while they at the fame time should begin a massacre in the Camp. But the Plot being discovered, they were next Night, at the changing of the

-third Watch, all put to death without the Rampart.

XXXVII. THE Carteians, while Cafar was employed in reducing the other Towns upon his rout, fell into a Diffention about young Pompey. There were two Parties in the Town, one that had fent the Deputies to Casar, and another in the Pompeian Interest. These last prevailing, seized the Gates, and made a dreadful flaughter of their Adversaries. Pompey himself was wounded in the Fray, but escaping to his Ships, fled with about thirty Gallies. Didius, who was at Cadiz with Cæsar's Fleet, hearing of what had happened, immediately failed in pursuit of them; stationing at the same time some Cavalry and Infantry along the Coast, to prevent his getting off by Land. Pompey had departed with so much precipitation from Carteia, that he took no time to furnish himself with Water, which obliging him to stop by the way, Didius came up with him after four Days failing, took some of his Ships, and burnt the rest.

XXXVIII. Pompey, with a few Followers, escaped to a Place strongly fortisted by Nature; of which the Troops sent in pursuit of him having certain Intelligence by their Scouts, followed Day and Night. He was wounded in the Shoulder and left Leg, and had besides strained his Ancle, all which greatly retarded his Flight, and obliged him to make use of a Litter. A Lustanian having discovered the Place of his retreat, he was quickly surrounded by our Cavalry and Cohorts. Seeing himself betrayed, he took refuge in a Post naturally strong, and which could easily be defended by a few Men, because the approach to it was extremely difficult. We attempted

tempted to ftorm it, but were repulfed, and vigorously pursued by the Enemy; and meeting with no better Success after several trials, we at length resolved to lay siege to the Place, it seeming too hazardous to force it. Accordingly a Terrass was raised, and Lines drawn round the Place; which the Enemy perceiving, thought proper to betake themselves to slight.

XXXIX. Pompey, as we have observed above, being lame and wounded, was in no condition to make a speedy Retreat; and the rather, because the Place was such, that he could use neither Horse nor Litter. He saw his People driven from the Fort, massacred on all sides, and himself left without resource. In this Extremity he sted to a Cave, where he could not easily be discovered, unless he was betrayed by the Prisoners. Here he was slain, and his Head brought to Casar the twelfth of April, just as he was setting out for Hispalis, and afterwards exposed to the view of the People.

XL. AFTER the death of young Pompey, Didius, proud of his Success, hauled some of his Vessels ashore to be resitted, and retired himself to a neighbouring Fort. The Lusitanians who had escaped from the Battle of Munda, rallying in great Bodies, found themselves strong enough to make head against him. Tho' the preservation of the Fleet was what principally engaged his Attention, he was yet necellitated to make frequent Sallies, to check the Infolence of the Enemy. These daily Skirmilhes gave them an opportunity of projecting an. Ambuscade; for which purpose they divided their Troops into three Bodies. Didius fallied according to Custom; when upon a Signal given, one of the Parties. 3.

Parties advanced to fet fire to the Fleet; and another counterfeiting a Retreat, drew him infensibly into the Ambuscade, where he was surrounded and slain with most of his Followers fighting valiantly. Some escaped in Boats which they found upon the Coast; others made for the Gallies by swimming; and weighing Anchor, stood out to Sea. A great many saved themselves in this manner, but the Lussianians got all the Baggage. Casar mean-while returned from Cales to Hispaiis.

XLI. Fabius Maximus, whom he had left to continue the Siege of Munda, carried on the Approaches with great fuccess; insomuch that the Enemy seeing themselves shut up on all sides, refolved to attempt a Sally: but were repulfed with great loss. Our Men seized this Opportunity to get possession of the Town, and made all the rest Thence they drew towards Urfao, a. Prisoners. Town exceedingly strong both by Nature and Art, and capable of refifting an Enemy. For there is not so much as a Rivulet within eight Miles of the Place, nor any Spring, but that which supplies the Add to all this, that the Wood necessary for building Towers and other Machines, was to be fetched from a diffance of fix miles; because young Pompey, to render the Siege more difficult, had cut down all the Wood round the Place; which obliged our Men to bring all the Materials for carrying on the Siege from Munda.

XLII. During these Transactions at Manda and Urfav, Cafar, who was returned from Cales to Hispalis, assembled the Citizens, and made the following Speech: "That when he was advanced to the Quæstorship, he had chosen their Province preserably to all others, and during his continuance

" nuance in that Office, done them every fervice in " his power: That during his Prætorship, he had obtained for them of the Senate the abolition of "the Taxes imposed by Metellus, declared himself " their Patron, procured their Deputies a hearing " at Rome, and made himself many Enemies, by " undertaking the defence both of their private and " publick Rights. In fine, that when he was "Conful, he had, tho' absent, rendered the Pro-" vince all the Services in his power: That instead of making a fuitable return for fo many Favours. " they had always discovered the utmost Ingrati-"tude, both towards him and the People of Rome, as well in this last War as the preceding. You, " fays he, tho' no strangers to the Law of Nations, and the Rights of Roman Citizens, have yet like "Barbarians often violated the facred Persons of « Roman Magistrates. You attempted in open "Day, in the publick Square, to assassinate Cassus. "You have been always fuch Enemies to Peace, " that the Senate could never fuffer the Province to " be without Legions. You take Favours for Of-66 fences, and Infults for Benefits, are infolent and " restless in Peace, and cowardly and effeminate in "War. Young Pompey, tho' only a private Ci-" tizen, nay a Fugitive, was yet received among " you, and fuffered to assume the Ensigns of Ma-" gistracy. After putting many Citizens to death, " you still furnished him with Forces, and even " urged him to lay waste the Country and Pro-"vince. Against whom do you hope to be vic-"torious? Can you be ignorant, that upon the 44 supposition of my Overthrow, the People of " Rome have still ten Legions, capable not only of " making head against you, but of bringing the " whole Earth under subjection."

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N. B. The Words in Roman Letters denote the ancient Names, and those in Italick the Modern.

A

Carnania, a Region of Epirus, Carnia.

Achaia, fometimes taken for all Greece; but most commonly for a Part of it only,

in Peloponnesus, Romania alta.

Acilla, or cholla, a City of

Africa, unknown.

Actium, a Promontory of Epirus, now called the Cape of Tigalo, famous for a naval Victory gained near it, by Augustus, over M. Antony.

Addua, the Adda, a River that arises in the Alps, and parting the Dutchy of Milan, from the State of Venice, falls into the Po,

above Cremona.

Addualdubis, a River of Burgundy, the Doux.

Adriatick Sea, the Gulph of Venice, at the Bottom of which that City is fituate.

Adrumetum, a Town in Africa,

Mabometta.

Ædui, the Autunois, a People of Gaul, near Autun, in the Country now called Lower Burgundy.

Ægean Sea, the Archipelage, a Part of the Mediterranean, which lies between Greece, Asia Minor, and the Isle of Crete.

Ægimurus, an Island in the Af-

rican Sea, Galetta.

Æginium, a Town of Thef-faly.

Ægyptus, Egypt, one of the most ancient, fertile, and celebrated Kingdoms in Africa.

Æmilia Via, a Roman Road in Italy, from Rimini to Aquileia, and from Pifa to Dertona.

Ætolia.

Ætolia, a Country of Greece,

Defpotato.

Africa, one of the four great Continents into which the Earth is divided.

Agar, a Town in Africa, un-

Agendicum, a City of the Seniones, Sans.

Alba, a Fown of Latium in

Italy, Albano.

Albici, a People of Gaul unknown, fome make them the

fame with the Vivarois.

Albis, the Elbe, a large and noble River in Germany, which has its fource in the Giants Mountains in Silefia, on the Confines of Bohemia, and passing through Bohemia, upper and lower Saxany, falls into the North Sea at Ritzbuttel, about fixty Miles below Hamburg.

Alemanni, a People of ancient Germany, who inhabited between the Maine, the Rhine, and the Banube, and from whom the French still give this Name to all

the Germans.

Alemannia, the Country inhabited by the Alemanni.

Alesia, or Alexia, a Town of the Mandubians, Alife.

Alexandria, a City of Egypt, Sounderia. It was built by Alexander the Great, 330 Years before Christ.

Alifo, by fome supposed to be the Town now called *lfelburg*; or, according to Junius, *Wefel*, in the Dutchy of Cleves; but more probably *Elfen*.

Allobroges, an ancient People of Gallia Transalpina, who inhabited that Country which is now called Dasphiny, Savoy, and

Piedmont.

Alps, a Ridge of high Mountains, which feparate France and Germany from Italy. That part of them which separate Dauphiny from Piedmont, had the name of the Cottian Alps.

Alsatia, a Province of Germany, in the upper Circle of the Rhine, Alsace.

Amagetobria, a City of Gaul,

unknown.

Amantia, a Town in Macedonia, Porto Ragusco.

Amanus, a Mountain of Syria, Scanderona.

Amani Pylæ, or Amanicæ Portæ, Straits of Scanderona.

Ambarri, a People of Gaul,

uncertain.

Ambiglites, a People of Gaul, of Lamballe in Bretagne. Others take the Word to be only a different Name for the Ambiani.

Ambiani, or Ambianentes, the

People of Amiens.

Ambianum, a City of Belgium,

Amiens.

Ambibari, a People of Gaul, those of Ambie in Normandy.

Ambivareti, a People of Gaul, the Vivarais.

Ambivariti, an ancient People of Brabant, between the Rhine and the Macfe.

Ambracia, a City of Epirus, Arta.

Ambrones, an ancient People, who lived in that Country, which is now called the *Canton* of *Bern*, in Swifferland.

Amphilochia, a Region of Epirus, Anfilocha.

Amphipolis, a City of Macedonia, Cristopoli, or Emboli.

Anartes, a People of Germany, Walachians, Servians, or Bulgarians.

Anas, a River of Spain, the Guadiana, or Rio Roydera.

Ancalites, a People of Britain, of the Hundred of Henley, in Oxafordshire,

Anchialos,

Anchialos, a City of Thrace, near the Euxine Sea, now called Kenkis.

Ancona, a City of Italy, An-

Andes, Angers, in France, the Capital of the Dutchy of Anjou.

Andes, a People of Gaul, the audient Inhabitants of the Dutchy

of Anjou.

Andomadunum Liegonum, a large and ascient City of Champagne, at the Source of the River

Marne, Langres.

Angrivarii, an ancient People of lower Germany, who dwelt between the Ems and the Weser, below the Lippe.

Antibarii, or Antivarii, an ancient People of lower Germany, of and about the Town of An-

seftaet, or Amflin.

Antioch, Antachia, an ancient and famous City, once the Capital of Syria, or rather of the East: It is fituate on two Rivers, the Orontes and the Phaspar, not far from the Meditersanean.

Apamea, Apami, a City of Bythinia, built by Nicomedes,

the Son of Prusias.

Apennine Alps, part of the Alps fo called, which run from the other Alps through the middle of Italy.

Apollonia, a City of Mace-

donia, Pierga.

Aponiana, an Island near the Promontory of Lilybæum in Si-

cilv.

Appia Via, the Appian Highway, which led from Rome into Campania, and from the Sea to Brundusium.

Apfus, a River of Macedonia,

the Afpro.

Apulia, a Region of Italy, la Paglia. Aquilaria, a Town of Africa

near Clupea.

Aquileia, formerly a famous and confiderable City of Italy, not far from the Adriatick, now little more than a heap of Ruins, Aquilegia.

Aquitain, the third Part of ancient Gaul, now containing Gui-

enne, Gaftony, &c.

Aquitani, the People inhabit-

ing Aquitain,

Arar, or Araris, a River of

Ganl, the Saone.

Arduenna filva, the Forest of Ardenne in France, reaching from the Rhine, to the City of Tournay, in the Low Countries.

Arelate, or Arelatum, a City

of Gaul, Arles.

Argentuaria, the Caffle of Horburg, near the City of Colmar, in

upper Alface.

Argentoratum, Straiburg, a City of Germany, anciently the Capital of the Tribocci, on the Rhine, now the chief City of Alface, belonging to the French.

Argos, a noted City of Pelopennesus, of which June was tu-

telar Goddess, Argo.

Ariminum, a City of Italy,

Armenia, a Country of Asia, divided into the greater and lesser, and now called Turcomania.

Armorici, the ancient People of Armorica, a part of Gallia Celtica, now Bretagne.

Arretium, a City of Hetruria

in Italy, Arexo.

Artesia, a Province of the Spanish Netherlands, Arteis.

Arverni, an ancient People of France, on the Loire, whose chief City was Arvernum, now Clermont, the Capital of Auvergne.

Asciburgum, a City of ancient Germany.

Germany, between Vetera and Gelduba. The present City of Aschasenburg, in Franconia, is so called; but, by the Situation, does not seem to be this.

Asculum, a Town of Italy,

Afcoli.

Ascurum, a maritime City of Mauritania, unknown.

Asparagium, a Town in Macedonia, unknown.

Aspavia, a Town in Hispania

Bætica, E/pejo.

Affona, a River of Champagne, in France, which runs into the Oife, near Compeigne, now called the Aifne:

Asta, a Town in Hispania

Bietica, Massa de Asta.

Afta, Afti, the Capital of the Country of the same Name, on the River Tanaro, in Piedmont.

Astigi, or Astingi, a People of

Andalufia in Spain.

Athens, one of the most ancient and noble Cities of Greece, the

Capital of Attica.

Athos, a Mountain in Macedonia, in the Province of Jamboli, which runs into the Ægean Sea, like a Peninfula, and is minety Miles in Compass.

Ategua, a Town in Hispania

Bætica, Tebala Veja.

Atrebates, an ancient People of Gaul, who lived in that Part of the Netherlands, which is now called *Artois*.

Attica, a Country of Greece, between Achaia and Macedonia, famous on account of its Capital, Athens.

Attuarii, a People of ancient Germany, who inhabited between the Maese and the Rhine, whose Country is now a Part of the Dutchy of Gueldres.

Atuatica, the Capital of the Eburones, now Tongres in Brabant.

Atuatici, the Inhabitants of those Parts, the Remains of the Cimbri.

Avaricum, a City of Aquitain, the Capital of the Biturigians,.

Bourges.

Augusta Nemetum, Spire, an ancient City of Germany, in the now upper Circle of the Rhine, and on that River.

Augusta Rauracorum, Augst, now a Village only; but a famous Pass in Swisserland, on the Rhine, two German Miles from Brasil.

Augusta Trevirorum, Triers, a very ancient City in lower Germany, on the Mosel, said to have been built by Trebetas, the Brother of Ninus, 1496 Years before Christ; made a Roman Colony in the time of Augustus, and afterwards the most famous City of Gallia Belgica. It was for some time the Seat of the Western Empire, now only the Seat of the Ecclesiastical Elector of that Name.

Augusta Vangionum, Worms, a City of Germany, within the Bounds of the Palatinate, free and Imperial, on the Western Bank of

the Rhine.

Augusta Vindelicorum, Augsburg, a famous City of Germany, and a Place of great Trade, a free Imperial City, the Capital of Suabia, on the Lech, not far from the Danube; famous for the Augustan Confession,

Augustodunum, Autun, a very, ancient City of Burgundy, on the

River Arroux.

Aulerci Eburovices, a People of Gaul, the Country of Evreux, in Normandy.

Aulerci Brannovices, a People

of Gaul, Marienne.

Aulerci Cenomanni, a People of Gaul, the Country of Maine.

A ulerci

Aulerci Diablintes, a People of Gaul, le Perche.

Ausci, a People of Gaul, those of Auchs or Aux, in Gascony.

Ausetani, a People of Spain, under the Pyrenæan Mountains.

Auximum, a Town in Italy, Ofimo, or Ofmo.

Axona, a River of Belgic Gaul, the Ai/ne.

B

Bacenis, a Forest of ancient Germany, which parted the Suevi from the Cherusci, by some supposed to be the Forests of Thuringia, by others the Black Forest.

Bætica, in the ancient Geography, about a third Part of Spain, containing *Andalusia*, and a Part of *Granada*.

Bætis, a River of Spain, now called the Guadalquivir.

Bagandæ, an ancient People of Gaul, who twice revolted from the Romans, and were both times defeated.

Bagrada; a River of Africa, near Utica, the Megrada.

Baleares Insulæ, several Islands in the Mediterranean Sea, formerly so called, of which Majorca and Minorca are the chief.

Basilea, Basil, a City of ancient Germany, now the principal City of all Switzerland, on the Rhine.

Batavi, the ancient Inhabitants of the Island of Batavia.

Fatavia, or Batavorum Insula, Holland, a Part of which still retains the Name of Betuwe,

Belgæ, the Inhabitants of Gallia Belgica. The original Belgæ were supposed to be of German Extraction; but passing the Rhine, settled themselves in Gaul.

Belgia, Belgium, or Gallia Belgica, the Low Countries, or Netherlands.

Vor. II.

Bellocassi, or Velocasses, a People of Gaul, inhabiting the Country of Bayeus in Normandy.

Bellovaci, an ancient renowned People among the Belgæ, inhabiting the Country now called Beauvais in France.

Bergea, a City of Macedonia, now called Veria.

Bessi, a People of Thrace, Bessiania.

Bethuria, a Region of Hispania Lusitanica, Estremadura.

Betones, or Berones, a People of Hispania Tarraconensis, Bi-

Bibracte, a Town of Burgundy, now called *Autun*, the Capital of the Ædui.

Bibrax, a Town of Rheims, Braine, or Brefne.

Bibroci, a People of Britain, according to Cambden, the Hundred of Bray, in Berkshire.

Bigerriones, a People of Gaul, inhabiting the Country now called *Bigorre*, in Gascony.

Bithynia, a Country of Afia Minor, adjoining to Troas, overagainst Thrace, Beofangial.

Bituriges, a People of Guienne, in France, of the Country of Berry.

Bocotia, a Country in Greece; parted from Attica, by Mount Citheron. It had formerly feveral other Names, and was famous for its Capital, Thebes; but is now called Stramulipa.

Boii, an ancient People of Germany, who passing the Rhine, settled in Gaul, the Bourbonnois,

Borani, an ancient People of Germany, supposed by some to be the same as the Burii.

Bosphorani, a People bordering upon the Ruxine Sea, the Tarturs.
Bosphorus, two Straits of the

Sea, so called; one Bosphorus R Thracius,

Thracius, now the Straits of Conflantinople; the other Bosphorus Cimmerius, now the Straits of Caffa.

Brannovices, the People of

Morienne, in France.

Bratuspantium, a City of Gaul, belonging to the Bellovaci, Beauvais.

Britannia, Britain, an Island containing England, Scotland, and

Wales.

Brueteri, an ancient People of the Netherlands, in East-Friefland, afterwards called Brockmoreland.

Brundusium, a City of Italy, Brindist.

Brutii, a People of Italy, the Calabrians.

Bucinobantes, an ancient People of Germany, who lived opposite to Mentz.

Bulgaria, a Part of the Lower Moria, between Mount Hæmus

and the Danube.

Bullis, a Town in Macedonia, unknown.

Burii, an ancient People of Germany, who inhabited the Hiland of Bornbolm.

Bursavolenses, a People of Hispania Bætica, thought to be the same with the Ursaonenses.

Buthrotum, a City of Epirus, Butrinto, or Botronto.

Byzantium, an ancient City of Thrace, called at several times Ligos, Nova Roma, and now Conflantinople.

Byzazyna, a City and Province of Africa, within the Kingdom

of Tunis.

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Cabillonum, a City of ancient Gaul, Chalons fur Saone.

Cadetes, a People of Gaul, un-known.

Cadurci, a People of Gaul, inhabiting the Country of Quercy.

Cæcinus, a River of Locris, in ancient Greece.

Cærefi, a People of Belgic Gaul, inhabiting the Country round Namur.

Cæfarea, the chief City of Ca-

padocia.

Cæsia Silva, the Cæsian Forest, supposed to be a Part of the Hercynian Forest, about the Dutchy of Cleves and Westphalia.

Calagurritani, a People of Hispania Tarraconensis, inhabiting the Province of Calaborra.

Caletes, an ancient People of Belgic Gaul, inhabiting the Country called *Le Pais de Caulx*, in Normandy, betwixt the Seine and the Sea.

Caletum, the Town of Calais, in Picardy, over against Dover.

Calydon, a City of Ætolia, Ayton.

· Camerinum, a City of Umbria, in Italy, Camarino.

Campania, the pleasantest Part of Italy, in the Kingdom of Naples, now called Terra di La-

Campi Canini, a Place in the Milaneze, in Italy, not far from

Belizona.

Campi Catalaunici, supposed to be the large Plain, which begins about two Miles from Chalons sur Marne.

Candavia, a Country of Macedonia, Canovia.

Caninefates, an ancient People of the lower Part of Germany, near Batavia, about where Gorckum, on the Maese, in South Holland, now is.

Cannæ, a poor Village in Apu-

lia,

lia, famous only for a great Overthrow of the Romans there by Hannibal,

Canopus, Bochir, a famous City of Egypt, whence the Canopic Branch of the Nile derived its Name.

Cantabri, an ancient warlike People of Spain, properly of the Provinces of Guipuscoa and Biscay.

Cantium, a Part of England,

the County of Kent.

Canufium, a City of Aprilia in

Italy, Ganoja.

Capitol, one of the feven Hills in ancient Rome, on which the Romans had a famous Fortress, founded by Tarquinius Priscus, and perfected by Tarquinius Superbus.

Cappadocia, a large Country in Afia Minor, upon the Euxine

Caprea, Capreæ, an Island on

the Coast of Campania.

Capua, Capoa, a City in the Kingdom of Naples, in the Province di Lavoro.

Carales, a City of Sardinia,

Cagliari.

Caralitani, the People of Cagliari, in Sardinia.

Carbillo, a City of Spain, near Corduba.

Carcaio, a City of Gaul, Car-

Carmona, a Town of Hispania

Bætica, Carmone.

Carni, an ancient People, who inhabited a Part of Noricum, whose Country is yet called Carniola.

Carnutes, an ancient People of France, inhabiting the Territory,

yet called Chartrain.

Carpi, an ancient People near the Danube.

Carrucca, a Town in Spain, uncertain.

Carteia, a Town in Spain, Al-

gevixa, or Tariffa.

Carthago, once the moffsfa! mous City of Africa, the Rival of Rome, built by Queen Dido, about feventy Years after Rome, according to fome; but Justin will have it built before Rome; Appian before the Destruction of Troy; and Vossius before Tyre itself.

Carthago nova; Carthagena, a City of Murcia, in Spain, built by Aidrubal, General of the Carthaginians.

Cafilinum, a Town in Italy,

Castelluzzo.

Caspian Sea, a vast Lake between Persia, Great Tartary, Muscovy and Georgia, said to be fix hundred Miles long, and near as broad.

Caffandrea, a City of Mace-

donia, Cassandria.

Cassi, a People of ancient Britain, the Hundred of Caiffow, in Hert fordsbire,

Castellum Menapiorum, Keffel, a Town in Brabant, on the River Neerse, not far from the Maese.

Castra Posthumiana, a Town in Hispania Bætica, Castro el Rio.

Castra Vetera, an ancient City in Lower Germany, in the Dutchy of Cleves; some say where Santon, others where Byrthen now is.

Casulonensis Saltus, a City of Hispania Tarraconensis, Castona

la Vieja.

Catti, an ancient People of Germany, who inhabited Part of the Country now called Heffe, and Thuringia; from the Mountains of Hartz, to the Weser and the Rhine.

Catuaci, corrupted probably from Atuatici. Some make them the same with the People of Donay, in France.

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Caturiges,

Caturiges, an ancient People of Gaul, inhabiting the Country of Embrun, or Ambrun, alias Charges.

Cebenna Mons, the Mountains of the Cevennes, in Gaul, separating the Helvians from Auverge.

Celeja, a City of Noricum Mediterraneum, now Cilley.

Celetæ, a People of Thrace, about the Mountains of Rhodope and Hæmus.

Celtæ, an ancient People of Gaul, in that Part called Gallia Comata, between the Garumna and Sequana, from whom that Country was likewise called Gallia Celtita.

Celtiberi, an ancient People of Spain, descended from the Celtze. who lettled about the River Iberus, or Ebro, from whom the Country was called Celtiberia,

now Arragon,

Cenimagni, or Iceni, an ancient People of Britain, inhabiting the Countries of Suffolk, Narfolk, Cambridgesbire, and Huntington-Shire.

Cenis Mons, that Part of the Alps which feparates Savoy from Piedmont.

Cenni, an ancient People of Celtic Extraction.

Cenomani, a People of Gallia Celtica, in the Country now called Le Manseau, next adjoining to that of the Insubres.

Centrones, an ancient People of Flanders, about the City of Courtray, dependent on the Nervians.

Centrones, an ancient People of Gaul, inhabiting the Country of Tarantaile.

Cerauni Montes, Mountains of Epirus, Monti di Chimera.

Cercina, an Island on the Coast of Africa, Chercara, Gercare.

Cherronefus, a Peninfula of Africa, near Alexandria.

Chersonesus Cimbrica, a Peninfula on the Baltick, now Jutland, Part of Holftein, Ditmarfo, and Slefavic.

Cherusci, a great and warlike People of ancient Germany, between the Elbe and the Weser, about the Country, now called Mansfield, Part of the Dutchy of Brunswick, and the Dioceses of Hildesbeim, and Halberstadt.

Chiavenna, the Capital of a Country of that Name, on the River Meira, with a strong Castle,

in Switzerland.

Chrysopolis, a City of Bithynia, now called Scutari, opposite to Constantinople.

Cimbri, the Jutlanders, a very ancient northern People, who inhabited Chersonesus Cimbrica.

Cimmerii, an ancient People near the Euxine Sea, whence the Bosphorus Cimmerius, Tartars.

Cinga, a River of Spain, Cinca,

or Senga.

Cingalum, a Town of Pice. num in Italy, Cingoli.

Cirta, a Town in Africa, Constantina, or Consantina, al. Tadel. Clupea, a maritime City of

Africa, Quipia.

Cocasates, a People of Gaul, according to some the Bazadois...

Coimbra, an ancient City of Portugal, once destroyed, but now rebuilt, on the River Mendego.

Colchis, a Country in Afia, near Pontus, including the present Mingrelia; and Georgia.

Comana Pontica, a City of Asia Minor, Com, or Tabachzan.

Comana of Cappadocia, Arminacha.

Compfa, a City of Italy, Comea, Or Consa.

Concordia,

Concordia, an ancient City of the Province of Triuli, in Italy, now in Ruins.

Condruss, or Condrusones, an ancient People of Belgium, dependent on the Treviri, whose Country is yet called Condrotz. between Liege and Namur.

Confluens Mosi & Rheni, Cob-

lentz.

Corcyra, an Island of Epirus, Corfu.

Corduba, a City of Hispania Bætica, Cordowa.

Corfinium, a Town belonging to the Peligni in Italy, St. Pelino, al. Pentina.

Corinth, a famous and rich City of Achaia in Italy, in the Middle of the Ishmus, going into Peloponnelus.

Corneliana Castra, a City of Africa, between Carthage and

Utica.

Corfica, a confiderable Island in the Mediterranean Sea, near Sardinia, which still retains its Name, and at present belongs to the Genoese.

Cosanum, a City of Calabria

in Italy, Cassano.

Cremona, an ancient City of Gallia Cifalpina, which retains its Name to this Day, and is the Metropolis of the Cremonese in Italy

Crete, one of the noblest Islands in the Mediterranean Sea, now

called Candia.

Cteliphon, a Town of Affyria,

over-against Seleucia.

Curiosolitæ, a People of Gaul, inhabiting Cornoualle in Bretagne.

Cyclades, Islands in the Ægean Sea, L' Isole dell' Archipelago.

Cyprus, an Island in the Mediterranean Sea, between Syria and Cilicia, Cipro.

Cyrene, an ancient and once a fine City of Africa, fituate overagainst Matapan, the most southern Cape of Morea, Cairoan.

Cyzicus, Chizico, formerly one of the largest Cities of Asia Minor, in an Island of the same Name, on the White Sea.

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Dacia, an ancient Country of, Scythia, beyond the Danube, containing Part of Hungary, Tranfylvania, Walachia and Moldavia.

Dalmatia, a Part of Illyricum, now called Sclawonia, lying between Croatia, Bosnia, Servia, and

the Adriatick Gulph.

Danube, the largest River in Europe, which has its rife in Suabia, and after flowing thro' that Country, Bavaria, Austria, Hungary, Servia, Bulgaria, Moldavia, Bessarabia, and part of Tartary, taking in its Course a great Number of noted Rivers, some say sixty, falls into the Black or Euxine Sea, in two Arms.

Dardania, the ancient Name of a Country in upper Mæsia, which. became afterwards a part of Dacia; Rascia, and part of Servia.

Decetia, a Town in Gaul,

Decise on the Loire.

Delphi, a City of Achaia, Delpho, al Salona.

Delta, a very confiderable Province of Egypt, at the Mouth of

the Nile, Errif.

Diablintes, an ancient People of Gaul, inhabiting the Country called Le Perche; al. Diableres in Bretagne; al. Lintes of Brabant; al. Lendoul, over-against Britain.

Dubis, a River of Burgundy,

Le Doux.

Duratium, commonly supposed to be a City of Gaul, in the Province of Poitou; but in fact Caefar uses Duratius for the Name of a Nobleman of confiderable Rank.

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Durocortorum, a City of Gaul, Rheims.

Dyrrhachium, a City of Macedonia, Durazzo, Drazzi.

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Eburones, an ancient People of Germany, inhabiting Part of the Country now the Bishoprick of Liege, and the County of Namur.

Eburovices, a People of Gaul, inhabiting the Country of Eureux,

in Normandy.

Egypt, one of the most ancient, fertile, and celebrated Kingdoms in Africa.

Elaver, a River of Gaul, the 'Allier.

Eleutheri, a People of Celtic Gaul, la Rouergue.

Elis, a City of Peloponnesus, Belvidere.

Elusates, an ancient People of Gaul, inhabiting the Country of Euse, in Gascony.

Ephefus, an ancient and celebrated City of Asia Minor, Efeso.

Epidaurus, a maritime City of

Dalmatia, Ragufa.

Epirus, a Country in Greece, between Macedonia, Achaia, and the Ionian Sea, by fome now called Albania inferior.

Essui, a People of Gaul, those of Sees, but the Word feems rather a corruption from Ædui.

Eusubii, corrupted from Unelli, or Lexovii, properly the People of Lifieux, in Normandy.

Fanum, a City of Umbria in

Italy, Fano.

Fefole, an ancient City of Italy, in the Dutchy of Florence, anciently one of the twelve confiderable Cities of Hetruria.

Finni, an ancient People of

Flavum, anciently reckoned the eastern Mouth of the Rhine, now called the Ulie, and is a Passage out of the Zuyder Sea into the North Sea.

Forum Flaminii, a City of Umbria, three Miles from Fulginium, yet called Forflamine.

Forum Julium, Frejus, an ancient Town on the Coast of Pro-

vence, in France.

Fossa Mariana, a Canal made by C. Marius, near Marfeilles, for the Conveyance of Ships from the Sea, into the Rhone.

Fossæ Marianæ, a City of Gallia Narbonenfis, now called Aigues

Mortes.

Frentani, an ancient People of Italy, Abruzzo, Capitanata.

Prifii, the ancient Inhabitants of Friesland.

Gabali, an ancient People of Gaul, inhabiting the Country of Givaudan.

Gades, Cadiz, an ancient and confiderable City of Spain.

Gaditani, the People of Gades,

or Cadiz, in Spain.

Galatia, a Country of Afia Minor, lying between Cappadocia, Pontus, and Paphlagonia; now called Chiangare.

Galli, the People of ancient

Gaul, now the French.

Gallia, the ancient and renowned Country of Gaul, now France. It was divided by the Romans into,

Gallia Cifalpina, Tonfa, or Togata, now Lombardy, between the Alps and the River Rubicon: And

Gallia Transalpina, or Comata, comprehending France, Holland, the Netherlands; and farther fubdivided into,

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Gallia

Gallia Belgics, now a part of Lower Germany, and the Netherlands, with Picardy; divided by Augustus, into Belgica and Germania; and the latter into prima and secunda.

Gallia Celtica, now France properly fo called; divided by Augustus, into Lugdunensis, and Ro-

thomagenfis.

Gallia Aquitanica, now Gascomy; divided, by Augustus, into prima, secunda and tertia: And

Gallia Narbonenfis, or Braccata, now Languedoc, Dauphiny, and

Provence.

Gallicia, a Province of Spain, of a large Extent, once a Kingdom, and comprehending old Cafile, but now a Part of the Kingdom of Leon.

Gallogræcia, a Country of Asia Minor, the same as Galatia.

Garites, a People of Gaul, inhabiting the Country now called Gavre, or Gavardan.

Garoceli, or Graioceli, an ancient People of Gaul, about Mount Cenis, or Mount Geneure; others place them in the Val de Morienne.

Garumna, the Garonne, one of the largest Rivers of France, which arising in the Pyrenees, flows thro' Guienne, forms the vast Bay of Garonne, and falls, by two Mouths, into the British Seas.

Garumni, an ancient People of Gaul, in the Neighbourhood of

the Garonne.

Gebenna Mons, the Mountains of the Covennes, which separated the Helvians from the Arverni.

Geldura, a Fortress of the Ubii, on the Rhine, not improbably the present Village of Gelb, on that River, eleven German Miles from Neus.

Genabum, Orleans, an ancient Town in Gaul, famous for the Massacre of the Roman Citizens committed there by the Carnutes.

Geneva, a City of Savoy, now a free Republick, upon the Borders of Helvetia, at the going out of the Rhone from the Lake Lemanus, anciently a City of the Allobroges.

Genusus, a River of Macedo-

nia, uncertain.

Gepidæ, or Gepidi, an ancient northern People, supposed to have dwelt about the Mouth of the Vistula.

Gergovia, the Name of two Cities in ancient Gaul, the one belonging to the Boii, the other to the Arverni. Their fituation is not certainly known.

Germania, Germany, one of the largest Countries of Europe, and the Mother of those Nations which, in the Fall of the Roman Empire, conquered all the rest.

Gesatz, a kind of Militia among

the ancient Germans.

Getæ, an ancient People of Scythia, who inhabited betwixt Mæsia and Dacia, on each Side of the Danube. Some think their Country the same with the present Wallachia, or Moldavia.

Getulia, a Province of the Kingdom of Morocco, in Barbary.

Gomphi, a Town in Thessaly, Gonfi.

Gorduni, a People of Belgium, the ancient Inhabitants of Gbent; according to others, of Courtray.

Gotini, an ancient People of Germany, who were driven out of their Country by Marobodius.

Gracia, Greece, a large Part of Europe, called by the Turks, Romelia, containing many Countries, Provinces, and Islands, once the Nursery of Arts, Learning, and Sciences.

Graioceli, the ancient Inhabi-

tants of Mount Cenis, see Garoceli.

Grudii, the ancient Inhabitants about Louwain, or, according to

fome, about Bruges.

Gugerni, a People of ancient Germany, who dwelt on the right Banks of the Rhine, between the Ubii and the Batavi.

Guttones, or Gythones, an ancient People of Germany inha-

biting about the Vistula.

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Hæmus, a Mountain dividing Mæsia and Thrace, Argentare.

Haliacmon, a River of Mace-

donia, uncertain.

Harudes, or Harudi, a People of Gallia Celtica, supposed to have been originally Germans; and by some to have inhabited about Constance.

Hellespont, Straits of Gallipoli, the famous straits by Constantinople, dividing Europe from Asia, between Propontis, and the Ægean

Sea.

Helvetia, Switzerland, now divided into thirteen Cantons.

· Helvetii, the Switzers, ancient Inhabitants of the Country of Switzerland.

Helvii, an ancient People of Gaul, inhabiting the Country now pofferfed by the Vivarois.

Heraclea, a City of Thrace, on the Euxine Sea, Pantiro.

Heraclea Sentica, a Town in

Macedonia, Chefia.

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Hercynia Silva, the Hercynian Fores, the largest Forest of ancient Germany, being reckoned by Cæsar to have been sixty Days Journey in length, and nine in breadth. Many Parts of it have been since cut down, and many are yet remaining; of which, among others, is that called the Black Forest.

Hermanduri, an ancient People of Germany, particularly in the Country now called Mifnia, in upper Saxony; tho' they possessed a much larger Tract of Land, according to fome all Bohemia.

Herminius Mons, a Mountain of Lufitania, Monte Armino; according to others, Monte della

Strella.

Heruli, an ancient northern People, who came first out of Scandavia, but afterwards inhabited the Country now called *Mecklen*burg in lower Saxony, towards the Baltick.

Hibernia, Ireland, a confiderable Island to the West of Great

Britain.

Hippo, Bona, a City of the Province of Constantine, in the Kingdom of Tunis, in Africa, upon the Mediterranean.

Hispalis, a City of Hispania

Bætica, Seville.

Hispania, Spain, one of the most considerable Kingdoms in Europe, divided by the Ancients into Tarraconensis, Bætica, and Lusitania.

Hyrcania, a Country of Asia, bordering on the Caspian Sea, Ta-

baristan, Gorgian.

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Jacetani, or Lacetani, a People of Spain, near the Pyrenæan Mountains.

Jadertini, a People so called, from their capital Jadera, a City

of Illyricum, Zara.

Jazygæ, or Jazyges, a People of Sarmatia Europea, inhabiting about the Countries now called Liquina and Prussia.

Iberus, a River of Hispania

Tarraconensis, the Ebro.

Iccius, or Itius Portus, a Sea-

Port-

Port-Town of ancient Gaul; Boulogne, or, according to others, Calais.

Igilium, an Island in the Tuscan Sea, il Giglio, L' Isle du Lys.

Iguvium, a City of Umbria in Italy, Gubio,

Herda, a City of Catalonia, in Spain, now called *Lerida*, on the Segre.

Illurgavonenses, a People of Hispania Tarraconensis, near the

Iberus.

Illyricum, formerly the Country between Pannonia to the North, and the Adriatic Sea to the South, divided into Liburnia and Dalmatia. It is now chiefly comprehended under Dalmatia and Sclawonia, and bordered by Pannonia, Istria, Macedonia, and the Adriatic Gulf; almost wholly under the respective Dominions of the Venetians and the Turks.

Illurgis, a Town of Hispania

Bætica, Illera.

Insubria, a Country of Gallia Cisalpina, now the Dutchies of Milan, Mantua, Brescia.

Ionia, a Country of Afia Minor, anciently inhabited by a Colony from Greece, Sarchan.

Isla, an Island of the Adriatic

Sea, Lissa.

Ister, that Part of the Danube which passed by Illyricum.

Istria, a Country now in Italy, under the Venetians, bordering on Illyricum, so called from the River Ister.

Istropolis, a City of lower Mæfia, near the South Entrance of the Danube, *Profiraviza*.

Ifara, the *Ifere*, a River of France, which arifes in Savoy, and falls into the Rhone above Valence.

Isauria, a Province anciently of Asia Minor, now a Part of Can

ramania, and subject to the Turks.

Italia, Italy, one of the most famous Countries in Europe, once the Seat of the Pomos Empire.

the Seat of the Roman Empire, now under several Princes, and free Commonwealths.

Tree Commonwealths.

italica, a City of Hispania Bætica, Sevila la Veja; according to others, Alcala del Rio.

Iturza, a Country of Palestine,

Bacar.

Jura, a Mountain in Gallia Belgica, which separated the Sequani from the Helvetians, most of which is now called Mount St. Claude.

Juvavia, formerly the Capital of Noricum Mediterraneum, now Saltzburg.

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Lacetani, a People of Spain, near the Pyrenæan Hills.

Lacus Benacus, Lago di Guardo,

a Lake now belonging to the Venetians, between Verona, Brescia, and Trent.

Larinates, the People of Larinum, a City of Italy, Larino.

Larissa, the principal City of Thessaly, a Province of Macedonia, on the River Peneo.

Latini, the Inhabitants of Lavitium, an ancient Part of Italy, whence the Latin Tongue is so called.

Latobriges, a People of Gallia Belgica, between the Allobroges and Helvetii, in the Country now

called Laufane.

Lazi, an ancient People of Sarmatia Europea, according to fome, on the Banks of the Palus Mæotis; but, according to others, towards the Caspiæ Portæ, near the Iberi.

Lemanus Lacus, the Lake upon which Geneva flands, made by the River Rhone, between Swit-

Switzerland to the North, and Savoy to the South, commonly called the Lake of Geneva.

Lemnos, an Island in the Ægean

Sea, now called Stalimane.

Lemovices, an ancient People of Gaul, le Limofin.

Lemovices Armorici, the People of St. Paul de Leon.

Lenium, a Town in Lufitania, pnknown.

Lepontii, a People of the Alps, mear the Valley of Leventina.

Leptis, a Town in Africa, Le-

heda, or Lepeda.

Levaci, a People of Brabant, not far from Louvain, whose chief Town is now called Leew.

Leuci, a People of Gallia Belgica, where now Lorrain is, well skilled in darting. Their chief City is now called Youl.

Lexovii, an ancient People of Gaul, Listeux in Normandy.

Liburni, an ancient People of Hlyricum, inhabiting Part of the

present Croatia.

Ligeris, the Loire, one of the greatest and most celebrated Rivers of France, said to take one hundred and twelve Rivers in its Course; it rises in Velay, and falls into the Bay of Aquitain, below Nantz.

Ligoria, a Part of ancient Italy, extending from the Appennines to the Tuscan Sea, containing Ferrara, and the Territories of Genoa.

Lilybeum, the most western Promontory of the Island of Sicily, where stood a City of the same Name, now Capo Boco.

Limo, or Limonum, a City of

ancient Gaul, Poitiers.

Lingones, a People of Gallia Belgica, inhabiting in and about Langres, in Champagne.

Liffus, an ancient City of Ma-

cedonia, Aleffia. .

Lucani, an ancient People of Italy, inhabiting the Country now called Bafilicate.

Luceria, an ancient City of Ita-

ly, Lucera.

Lufitania, Portugal, a Kingdom on the West of Spain, formerly a Part of it.

Lutetia, Paris, an ancient and famous City, the Capital of all France, on the River Seine.

Lydia, an inlaid Country of Afia Minor, formerly governed by the famous Creefus, who was the laft King of it, Carafia.

Lygii, an ancient People of upper Germany, who inhabited the Country now called Silefia, and on

the Borders of Poland.

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Macedonia, a large Country, of great Antiquity and Fame, in Greece, containing feveral Provinces, now under the Turks.

Mæotis Palus, a vast Lake in the North Part of Scythia, now called Marbianco, or Mare della Tana. It is about fix hundred Miles in Compass, and the River Tanais disembogues itself into it.

Magetobria, or Amagetobria, a

City of Gaul, uncertain.

Malaca, a City of Hispania Bætica, Malaga.

Mandubii, an ancient People of

Gaul, l'Auxois, in Burgundy.

Marcomanni, a Nation of the Suevi, whom Cluverius places between the Rhine, the Danabe, and the Neckar; who fettled, however, under Maroboduus, in Bobemia and Maravia.

Marracini, an ancient People of Italy, inhabiting the Country now

called Abruzzo.

Marsi, an ancient People of Italy, inhabiting the Country now called Ducaro de Marsi.

Massilia,

Maffilia, Marfeilles, a large and flourishing City of Provence, in France, on the Mediterranean; faid to be very ancient, and, according to some, built by the Phoenicians; but, as Justin will have it, by the Phoeians, in the time of Tarquinius King of Rome.

Matisco, an ancient City of

Gaul, Mascon.

Matrona, a River in Gaul, the Marne.

Mauritania, Barbary, an ancient large Region of Africa, divided into Czefariensis, Tingitatana, and Sitofensis.

Mazaca, a City of Cappadocia, Tifaria.

Mediomatrices, a People of Lorrain, on the Mosel, about the

City of Metz.

Mediterranean Sea, the first discovered Sea in the World, still very famous, and much frequented, which breaks in, from the Atlantic Ocean, between Spain and Africa, by the Straits of Gibraltar, or Hercules' Pillars, the ne plus ultra of the Ancients.

Medobrega, a City of Lusita-

nia, Armenna.

Meldæ, according to fome the People of Meaux; but more probably corrupted from Belgæ.

Melodunum, an ancient City of Gaul, upon the Seine, above Paris,

Melun.

Menapii, an ancient People of Gallia Belgica, who inhabited on both Sides of the Rhine. Some take them for the Inhabitants of Cleves; and others of Antwerp, Ghent, &c.

Mesopotamia, a large Country in the Middle of Asia, between the Tigris and the Euphrates,

Diarbeck.

Messana, an ancient and celebrated City of Sieily, still known by the Name of Messana.

Metaurus, a River of Umbria, now called *Metero*, in the Dutchy of Urbino.

Metiofedum, an ancient City of Gaul, on the Seine, below Paris, Corbeil.

Metropolis, a City of Theffaly, between Pharfalus and Gomphi.

Mitylene, a City of Lesbos,

Metelin.

Moesia, a Country of Europe, and a Province of the ancient Illyricum, bordering on Pannonia, divided into the Upper, containing Bofnia and Servia, and the Lower, called Bulgaria.

Mona, in Cæsar, the Iste of Man; in Ptolemy, Anglesey.

Morini, an ancient People of the Low Countries, who probably inhabited on the prefeat Coast of Bologne, on the Consines of Picardy and Artois, because Castar observes, that from their Country was the nearest Passage to Britain.

Mosa, the Maese, or Meuse, a large River of Gallia Belgica, which falls into the German Ocean below the Briel.

Mosella, the Moselle, a River which, running through Lorrain, passes by Triers, and falls into the Rhine at Coblentz, famous for the Vines growing in the Neighbourhood of it.

Munda, an ancient City of Spain, Munda; al. Ronda la Veja.

Muría, a Town and Caftle, in Sclavonia, at the Comflux of the Draw and Danube, now called Effeck, famous for a Bridge three Wiles over.

Myfia, a Country of Afia Minor, not far from the Hellespont, divided into Major and Minor.

N

Nabathæi, an ancient People of Arabia, uncertain.

· Nannetes,

Nannetes, an ancient People of Gaul, inhabiting about Nantes.

Nantuates, an ancient People of the North Part of Savoy, whose Country is now called Ls Chablais.

Narbo, Narbonne, an ancient Roman City, in Languedoc, in France, faid to be built an hundred and thirty-eight Years before the Birth of Christ,

Narifci, the ancient People of the Country now called Nortgew, in Germany, the Capital of which is the famous City of Nuremburg.

Naupactus, an ancient and confiderable City of Ætolia, now called Lepanto.

Neapolis, a City of Italy, which fill retains the Name of Naples.

Neapolis, a City of Africa, between Clupea and Adrumetum, now called Napoli.

Nemetes, a People of ancient Germany, about the City of Spire,

on the Rhine.
Nemetocenna, a Town of Belgium, not certainly known; accor-

ding to some, Arras.

Neocæfarea, the Capital of Pontus, on the River Licus, now called Tocat.

Nervii, an ancient People of Gallia Belgica, thought to have dwelt in the now Diocese of Cambray.

Nestus, or Nestus, a River in

Thrace, Nefte.

Nicæa, a City of Bithynia, now called *lfnick*, famous for the first general Council, Anno 324, against Arianism.

Nicomedia, a City of Bithynia, where Constantine the Great died,

Comidia.

Nicopolis, a City of Armenia the lefs, Gianich; likewise of Bulgaria, at the Confluence of the Jsacar, and the Danube, commonly called Nigeboli.

Nilus, the Nile, a River of Egypt, famous for its annual Overflow.

Nitiobriges, an ancient People

of Gaul, I Agenois.

Noreia, a City on the Borders of Illyricum, about nine German Miles from Aquileia.

Norice Alpes, that Part of the Alps, which were in, or border-

ing upon Noricum.

Noricum, anciently a large Country, now containing several, as a great Part of Austria, Stiria, Carinthia, Part of Tyrol, Bawaria, &c. and divided into Noricum Mediterraneum, and Ripense.

Noviodunum Belgarum, an ancient City of Belgic Gaul, now

called Noyon.

Noviodunum Biturigum, Neuwy, or Neufwy.

Noviodunum Æduorum, Ne-

Noviodunum Suessionum, Seiffons, al. Noion...

Noviomagum, Spire, an ancient City of Germany, in the now upper Circle of the Khine, and on that River.

Numantia, a celebrated City of ancient Spain, famous for a gallant Refutance against the Romans, in a Siege of fourteen Years; Almafan.

Numidia, an ancient and celebrated Kingdom of Africa, bordering on Mauritania; Algiers, Tunis, Tripoli, &c.

Numicus, the Namico, a River of ancient Latium in Italy.

Nymphæum, a Promontory of Macedonia, in the Confines of Sclavonia.

O

Obucula, a Town in Hispania-Bætica, uncertain.

Ocelum,

Ocelum, a Town situated among the Alps in Gaul, Exiller.

Octodurus, a Town belonging to the Veragrians, Martinao.

Octogela, a City of Hispania Tarraconenfis, Mequinenza.

Orchomenus, a Town in Bœo-

tia, Orcomeno. Oricum, a Town in Epirus,

Orco. or Orcha.

Ofcenses, the People of Ofca, a Town in Hispania Tarraconenfis, now Huescar.

Ofismii, an ancient People of Gaul, uncertain.

Padus, the Po, the largest River in Italy, which arises in Piedmont, and dividing Lombardy into two Parts, falls into the Adriatick Sea, by many Mouths.

Pæmani, an ancient People of Gallia Belgica; according to fome, those of Luxemburg; according to others, the People of Pemant, near the Black Forest.

Palæste, a Town in Epirus. near Oricum.

Pannonia, a very large Country, in the ancient Division of Europe, divided into the Upper and Lower, and comprehended betwixt Illyricum, the Danube. and the Mountains Cethi.

Parada, a Town in Africa, not

far from Utica.

Parætonium, a maritime City

of Africa, Alberton.

Parisii, an ancient People of Gaul, inhabiting the Country now called the Isla of France.

Parthia, a Country in Asia, lying between Media, Caramania, and the Hircanian Sea.

Parthini, a People of Mace-

Peligni, a People of Italy in Apruzzo.

Peloponneius, the Morea, 2 famous, large and fruitful Peninfula of Greece, now belonging to the Venetians.

Pelufium, an ancient and celebrated City of Egypt, Belbais.

Pergamus, an ancient and famous City of Mysia, Pergame. .

Perinthus, a City of Thrace, about a Day's Journey West of Constantinople, now in a decaying Condition, and called Heraclea.

Persia, one of the largest, most ancient, and celebrated Kingdoms of Asia. It antiently contained many Countries, and now many Provinces.

Petra, an ancient City of Ma-

cedonia, uncertain.

Petrogorii, a Country in Gaul,

Perigord. Peucini, the Inhabitants of the Island of Peuce, in one of the

Mouths of the Danube.

Pharsalia, a Part of Thessaly, famous for the Battle between Cæfar and Pompey, which decided the Fate of the Roman Commonwealth.

Pharus, an Isle facing the Port of Alexandria in ancient Egypt; Farion.

Phasis, a large River in Colchis, now called Falls, which

flows into the Euxine Sea. Philippi, a City of Macedonia, on the Confines of Thrace, Filippo.

Philippopolis, a City of Thrace, near the River Hebrus, Filippopoli.

Phrygia, two Countries in Asia Minor, one called Major, the other Minor.

Picenum, an ancient District of Italy, lying Eastward of Umbria; the March of Ancona, according to others Piscara. Pial,

Picit, Picit, on ancient barbarous northern People, who by Intermarriages became, in courie of Time, one Nation with the Scots; but are originally supposed to have come out of Domark or Scythia, to the Isles of Orkney, and from thence into Scothard.

Pictones, an ancient People of Gaul, inhabiting the Country of

Politica.

Pirulte; an envient People of Illyricum, Albanesi.

Pifauritm, a City of Umbria in

Italy, Pifaro.

Platentia, an ancient City of Gallia Citations, near the Po, now the Metropolis of the Dutchy of Piacenza, which Name it also bears.

Pleumofii, an ancient People of Gallia Belgica, subject to the Nervians, and inhabiting acar Tournay.

Polentia, an ancient City near the Alps, though the learned difagree as to the particular Situation

of it.

Fontas, an ancient Kingdom of Afia Minor, between Bithynia and Paphlagonia upon the Euxine Sea.

Pontus Euxinus, the Euxine, or Black Sea, from the Egean along the Hellespont, to the Macotic Lake, between Europe and Afia.

Posthumiana Castra; an ancient Town in Hispania Baetica, now called Castro et Rio.

Przeciani, an ancient People of Gaul, Precins.

Provincia Romana, or Romanorum, one of the fouthern Provinces of France, the first the Romans conquered and brought into the Form of a Province, whence it obtained its Name; which it still in some Degree re-

tains, being called at this Day Provence.

Prusa or Prusas, Barsa, 2 City of Bithynia, at the Foot of Olympus, built by Hannibal.

Ptolemais, an ancient City of

Africa, St. Jean & Acre.

Pyrenzei Montes, the Pyrenzes, or Pyrenzen Mountains, one of the largest Chains of Mountains in Europe, which divide Spain from France, running from East to West eighty-five Leagues in length.

R

Ravenna, a very ancient City of Italy, near the Coast of the Adriatick Gulph, which still retains its ancient Name. In the Decline of the Roman Empire, it was sometime the Seat of the Emperors of the West; as it was likewise of the Wisi-Gothick Kingdom.

Rauraci, a People of ancient Germany, near the Helvetii, who inhabited near where Basilin

Switzerland now is.

Rhedones, an ancient People of Gaul, inhabiting about Rennes in Bretagne.

Rhætia, the Country of the Grisens, on the Alps, near the

Hercynian Forest.

Rhemi, the People of Rheims, a very ancient, fine, and populous City of Prance, in the Province of Champagne, on the River Vefle.

Rhemus, the Rhine, a great and famous River in Germany, which formerly divided it from Gaul. It springs out of the Rhætian Alps, in the western Borders of Switzerland, and the northern of the Grisons, from two Springs which units near Coire, and falls

mto

into the Maese and the German Ocean, by two Mouths, whence Virgil calls it Rhenus bicornis.

Rhodanus, the Rhone, one of most celebrated Rivers of France, which arises from a double Spring in Mont de la Fourche, a Part of the Alps, on the Borders of Switzerland, near the Springs of the Rhine, and after a vast Circuit through France, falls into the Mediterranean, by five Mouths.

Rhodope, a famous Mountain of Thrace, now called Valiza.

Rhodus, Rhodes, a celebrated Island in the Mediterranean, upon the Coast of Asia Minor, overagainst Caria.

Rhyndagus, a River of Myfia in Afia, which falls into the Pro-

pontis.

Roma, Rome, once the Seat of the Roman Empire, and the Capital of the then known World, now the immediate Capital of Camagna di Roma only, on the River Tiber, and the Papal Seat; generally supposed to have been built by Romulus, in the first Year of the seventh Olympiad.

Roxolani, a People of Scythia Europea, bordering upon the Alani: Their Country, anciently called Roxolania, is now Red Russa, belonging to the Crown

of Poland.

Ruspina, an ancient Maritime

City of Africa, Soufe.

Rutheni, an ancient People of Gaul, la Rouergue.

S

Sabis, the Sambre, a River of the Low Countries, which arises in Picardy, and falls into the Maese at Namur.

Saguntini, the People of Saguntum, a noble City of ancientSpian.

the Memory of which is recorded with Honour, for the Ridelity flown to its Ailies the Romans, Morvedre.

Salassi. an ancient People of Piedmont, whose chief Townwas where now Aska is stease.

Sallavii, Sallyei, a People of Gallis Narbonensis, about where Air now is,

Salona, an ancient City of Dalmatia, and a Roman Colony, the Place where Disclosian was born, and whither he retreated after he had refigned the Imperial Dignity.

Salium, a River of Hilpania Betica, Rio Salado, or Guadojes.

Samarobriva, Amiens, an ancient City of Gallía Belgica, enlarged and beautified by the Emperor Antoninus Pius, now the chief City of Picardy, on the River Somme.

Santones, the ancient Inhabitants of Guienne or Xantoigne.

Sardinia, a great Island in the Mediterranean, which in the Time of the Romans had forty-two Cities, now belonging to the Duke of Savoy, with the Title of King.

Sarmatia, a very large northern Country, divided into Sarmatia Affatica, containing Taxtary, Petigora, Circassia, and the Country of the Morduita: And Sarmatia Europea, containing Russia, Part of Peland, Prussia, and Lithuania.

Sariura, a Town in Africa, unknown.

Savus, the Save, a large River, which arises in upper Carniola, and falls into the Danube at Belgrade.

Scaldis, the Scheld, a noted River in the Low Countries, which arifes in Picardy, and washing fe-

vera

veral of the principal Cities of Flanders and Brabant, in its Course, falls into the German Ocean by two Mouths, one retaining its own Name, and the other called the *Honte*.

Scandavia, anciently a vail northern Peninsula, containing what is yet called Schonen, anciently Scania, belonging to Denmark; and Part of Sweden, Norway and

Lapland.

Scythia, a large Country, properly Crim-Tartary; but in Hiflory and Geography, greatly extended, and particularly divided into Scythia Aflatica, on either fide of Mount Imaus: And Scythia Europea, about the Euxine Sea, and the Mæotic Lake.

Seduni, an ancient People of

Switzerland, Sion.

Sedufii, an ancient People of Germany, on the Borders of Suabia.

Segni, an ancient German Nation, Neighbours of the Condrus,

Zulpich.

Segontiaci, a People of ancient Britain, inhabiting about *Helfbot*, in Hampshire.

Segovia, a City of Hispania

Batica, Sagovia la menos.

Segusiani, a People of Gallia Celtica, about where now Lionois Forest is fituate.

Senones, an ancient Nation of the Celtæ, inhabiting about the

Senonois, in Gaul.

Sequana, the Seine, one of the principal Rivers of France, arising in the Dutchy of Burgundy, not far from a Town of the same Name, and running through Paris, and by Roan, forms at Candebec a great Arm of the Sea.

Sequani, an ancient People of Gallia Belgica, inhabiting the Country now called the Franche Comté or the Upper Burgundy.

Sesuvii, an ancient People of Gaul, inhabiting about Seez.

Sibutzates, an ancient People of Gaul, inhabiting the Country

of Buck.

Sicilia, Sicily, a large Island in the Tyrrhene Sea, at the southwest Point of Italy, formerly called the Store-house of the Roman Empire, and the first Province the Romans possessed out of Italy.

Sicoris, a River in Catalonia;

the Segre.

Sigambri, or Sicambri, an ancient People of Lower Germany, between the Maese and the Rhime, where Guelderland is; though by some placed on the Banks of the Maine.

Silicensis, a River of Hispania Baetica, Rio de las Algamidas. Others think it a Corruption from

Singuli.

Sinuessa, a City of Campania, not far from the Save, an ancient Roman Colony, now in a ruinous Condition; Rocca di Mondragone.

Soricaria, a City of ancient

Spain, unknown,

Soritia, an ancient Town in

Spain, anknown.

Sotiates, or Sontiates, an ancient People of Gaul, inhabiting the Country about Aire.

Sparta, a City of Peloponnelus, now called Mufitbra, faid to be so ancient as the Days of the Pa-

triarch Jacob.

Spoletum, Spoleto, a City of great Antiquity, of Umbria, in Italy, the Capital of a Dutchy of the fame Name, on the River Tefino, where are yet fome stately Ruins of ancient Roman and Gothick Edifices.

Suessiones, an ancient People of

Gaul, le Soissonnois.

Suevi, an ancient, great, and warlike People of Germany, who possesses

possessed the greatest Part of it, from the Rhine to the Elbe, but afterwards removed from the northern Parts, and fettled about the Danube, and some marched into Gaul, near the Pyrenees, inha-Spain, where they established a Kingdom.

Sulcitani, an ancient People of

Sardinia, unknown.

Sulmo, an ancient City of Italy. Sulmona:

Sunici, an ancient People of the Dutchy of Limburg, where there is yet a Place called Sunich, a Name probably borrowed from

Syraculæ, Saragula, once one of the noblest Cities of Sicily, said to be built by Archias, a Corinthian, above feven hundred Years before Christ. The Romans befieged and took it during the fecond Punic War, on which Occafion the great Archimedes was killed. It has been so entirely destroyed, that it has no Remains to shew of its Antiquity.

Syria, a large Country of Afia, containing feveral Provinces, now

called Souristan.

Syrtes, the Defarts of Barbary; alfo two dangerous fandy Gulphs, in the Mediterranean, upon the Coast of Barbary, in Africa, called the one Syrtis magna, now the Gulph of Sidra, the other Syrtis parva, now the Gulph of Capes.

Tamesis, the Thames, a celebrated and well known River of Great Britain.

Tanais, the Don, a very large River in Scythia, dividing Asia from Europe. It rifes in the Province of Refan, in Muscovy, and flowing through the Crim-Tartary, runs into the Mæotick Lake, Vol. II.

near a City of the same Name, now in Ruins, and in the Hands of the Turks.

Tarbelli, a People of ancient biting about Ays and Bayonne, in the Country of Labourd.

Tarracina, an ancient City of Italy, which still retains the same

Tarraco, Tarragona, a City of Spain, which, in ancient time, gave Name to that Part of it called Hispania Tarraconensis; by some faid to be built by the Scipios, though others fay before the Roman Conquest, and that they only enlarged it. It stands on the Mouth of the River Tulcis, now: el Fracoli, with a small Haven on the Mediterranean.

Tarfus, Tarfo, the Metropolis of Cilicia, famous for being the

Birth-Place of St. Paul.

Tarusates, an ancient People of Gaul, uncertain; according tosome, le Teursan.

Tauris, an Island in the Adri-

atick Sea, unknown.

Taurois, the Name of a Castle

near Marseilles.

Taurus Mons, the greatest Mountain in all Asia, extending from the Indian to the Ægean Sea, called by different Names in different Countries, viz. Imaus, Caucafus, Caspius, Cerausius, and in Scripture, Ararat. Herbert fays it is fifty English Miles over. and fifteen hundred long.

Tectolages, lee Volcæ.

Tegea, a City of Africa, un-

Tenchtheri, a People of ancient Germany, bordering on the Rhine, near Overyffel.

Tergestini, an ancient People inhabiting about Triefte, in the Confines of Istria and the Carni.

Terni.

Terri, an ancient Roman Colony, on the River Nare, twelvo

Miles from Spoletum.

Teutones, or Teutoni, an ancient People bordering on the the common Çimbri, ancient Name for all the Germans, whence they yet call themselves Teutsche, and their Country Teut-Schland.

Thabena, a City of Africa, un-

known.

Thaplus, a Maritime City of

Africa, uncertain.

Thebæ, a City of Bosotia, in Greece, faid to have been built by Cadmus, destroyed by Alexander the Great, but rebuilt, and now known by the Name of Stives.

Thermopylæ, a famous Pass on the great Mountain Octa, leading. into Phocis, in Achaia, now called

Bocca di Lupo.

Theffaly, a Country of Greece, formerly a great Part of Macedonia, now called Janna.

Thessalonica, the chief City of Macedonia, now called Salenichi.

Thracia, a large Country of Europe, eastward from Macedomis, commonly called Romania, bounded by the Euxine and Ægean

Thurii, or Turii, an ancient People of Italy, Torre Brodogneto.

Tigurious Pagus, a Nation of the Helvetians, the ancient Inhabitants of the Canton of Zurich, in Switzerland.

Tisdra, or Tisdrus, an ancient

City of Africa, Cairoan.

Tolosa, Thoulouse, a City of Aquitain, of great Antiquity, the Capital of Languedoc, on the Ga-

ronne.

Toxandri, an ancient People of the Low Countries, about Breda, and Gertruydenburgh; but according to some of the Diocese of Liege.

Tralles, an ancient People of Lydia in Asia Minor, Chera.

Treviri, the People of Treves. or Triers, a very ancient City of Lower Germany, on the Moselle, faid to have been built by Trebetas, the Brother of Ninus. It was made a Roman Colony in the time of Augustus, and became afterwards the most famous City of Gallia Belgica. It was for some time the Seat of the western Empire, but it is now only the Seat the Ecclefiastical Elector named from it.

Tribocci, or Triboces, a People of ancient Germany, inhabiting the Country of Alface.

Trinobantes, a People of ancient Britain, Inhabitants of the Counties of Middlesen, and Hertfordsbire.

Troja, Troy, a City of Phrygia, in Afia Minor, near Mount Ida, destroyed by the Greeks after a ten Years Siege.

Tubantes, an ancient People of Germany, about Westphalia.

Tugium, a City and Canton of Helvetia, or Switzerland, now called Zug.

Tulingi, an ancient People of Germany, who inhabited about where now Stulingen in Switzerland is.

Tungri, an ancient People inhabiting about where Tongres, in Liege, now is.

Turones, an ancient People of Gaul, inhabiting about Tours.

Tuscia, Tuscam, a very large and confiderable Region of Italy, anciently called Tyrrhenia, and Etrutia.

Tyber, one of the most noted, tho' not largest Rivers of Italy, which arises in one of the Appennines, and, among other Places, passing

passing thro' Rome, falls into the Tyrrhenian Sea at Offic.

Tygris, a rapid River of Afia; which, in its course, unites with

the Fuphrates.

Tyrus, Tyre, an ancient City of Phoenicia, upon the Mediterranean, famous for its Traffick and Riches.

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Vacca, a Town in Africa, au-known.

Vahalis, the Waal, the middle Branch of the Rhise, which, paffing by Nimeguen, falls into the

Maese, above Gorcum.

Valencia, a City of Spain, which gives Name to a whole Kingdom, about a Mile from the Mediterranean, supposed to be built by Junius Brutus.

Valentia, Valence, a City of Gallia Narbonenfis, now in Dauphiny, on the Rivers Rhone and

Ifere.

Ventiones, an ancient People of Germany, about the City of Worms. ...

Varus, the Var, a River in Gast, that flows into the Ligu-

tian Sea.

Ubii, an ancient People of Lower Germany, who inhabited about where Calogn, and the Dutchy of Juliers now are.

Ucubis, a Town in Hispania

Bætica, Lucubi.

Velauni, an ancient People of Gaul, inhabiting about Velai.

Vellaunodunum, a Town in Gaul, about which Geographers are much divided; fome making it Auxerre, others Chasteau Landon, others Villeneuve in Lorrain, others, Veron.

Velocasses, an ancient People of Normandy, about Rouan.

Veneti, this Name was antiently given as well to the Venesians, as to the People of Venesiin Bretagne, in Gaul, for which last it stands in Caster.

Venetice, Venece, a noble City of Italy built upon fixty Islands, joined together by five hundred Bridges, at the Top of the Adviatic Gelph, the Capital of a powerful Commonwealth.

Ventilponte, a Town in Spain,

unknown.

Veragri, a People of Gallia Lugdunents, whole third Town was Aguanum, now St. Maurice.

Verbigenus, or Urbigenus Pagus, a Mation or Canton of the Melvetians, inhabiting the Country in the Neighbourhood of Gris. Vercelli Campi, the Plains of Vercelle, famous for a Victory

the Romans obtained there over the Cimbri. The City of that Name is in Piedmont, on the River Sefia, on the Borders of the Dutchy of Milan.

Veromandui, a People of Gallia Belgica, whose Country, now a Part of Picardy, is still called Ver-

mandeis.

Verona, a City of Lombardy, the Capital of a Province of the same Name, on the River Adige, said to be built by the Gauls two hundred and eighty-two Years before Christ. It has yet several Remains of Antiquity.

Vesontio, Besançon, the Capital of the Sequani, now the chief

City of Burgundy.

Vettones, a People of Spain, inhabiting the Province of Efframad ra.

Vibo, a Town in Italy, not far from the Sicilian Straits, Bibona.

Vienna, a City of Narbonese Gaul, Vienne in Dauphiny.

Vindelici, an ancient People of S 2 Germany,

Germany, Inhabitants of the Country of Vindelicia, otherwise called

Rætia secunda.

Vistula, the Weichsel, a famous River of Poland, which arises in the Carpathian Mountains, in Upper Silefia, and falls into the Baltick, not far from Dantzic, by three Mouths.

Visurgis, the Weser, a River of Lower Germany, which arises in Franconia, and, among other Places of Note, passing by Bremen, falls into the German Ocean, not far from the Mouth of the Elbe, between that and the Ems.

Ulla, or Ulia, a Town in Hispania Bætica, in regard to whose Situation Geographers are not agreed; fome making it Monte major, others, Vaena, others, Vilia.

Umbria, a large Country of Italy, on both Sides of the Ap-

pennines.

Unelli, an ancient People of Gaul, uncertain.

Vocates, a People of Gaul, on the Confines of the Lapurdenses.

Vocontii, an ancient People of Gaul, inhabiting about Die, in Dauphiny, and Vaison in the County of Venisse.

Vogesus Mons, the Mountain of Vauge in Lorrain, or, according to others, de Faucilles.

Volcæ Arecomici, and Tecto-

fages, an ancient People of Gaul. inhabiting the Upper and Lower Languedoc.

Urfao, a Town of Hispania

Bætica, Offuna.

Usæta, a Town of Africa, whose Situation is not certainly known.

Ufipetes, an ancient People of Germany, who frequently changed their Habitation.

Utica, a City of Africa, famous for the Death of Cato:

Bilerte.

Uxellodunum, a Town in Gaul. whose Situation is not known: according to some Usfoldun.

Uzita, a Town unknown.

X

Xantones, the same with the Santones, or People of Xantonge.

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Zama, a Town in Africa, famous for the Defeat of Hannibal there by Scipio, now called Zamora.

Zetta, a maritime City of Afri-

ca, now Zerbi.

Ziela, or Zela, a City of Pontus, Arzila.

Zingitana, a Part of ancient Africa, now included in the Kingdom of Algiers.

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